

Spotlight on **COVENTRY CITY**

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Nottingham Forest's Irish international Martin O'Neill leads Q.P.R.'s Stan Bowles in this chase for a loose ball. Forest full-back Viv Anderson is in the background.

**BIG MATCH
CROSSTALK:
SUNDERLAND v
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FEATURES ON SECOND ROUND MATCHES

WRITTEN IN THE STARS

PORTSMOUTH'S new striker Jeff Hemmerman knows he is going to be successful at Fratton Park... it's written in the stars.

Hemmerman came to Portsmouth on the advice of his star-gazing girlfriend, Irena, who writes on astrology for newspapers.

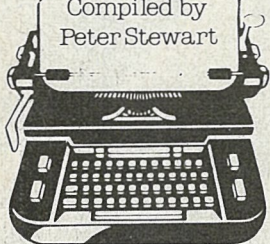
The former Port Vale and Hull player explained: "Irena often reads my hand and she saw this as a good move for me. She could see success here for me and the club."

Hemmerman soon discovered Irena knew what she was talking about. In his first four games he scored five goals, including the first hat-trick of his career.

THE students from University College, Dublin, will achieve a couple of firsts on their current tour of South East Asia. They will be the first club in the world to have visited Mainland China and Taiwan, and the first European side to play in Taiwan.

NEWS

Compiled by
Peter Stewart



DESK

A long way to train

BIRMINGHAM defender Pat Howard (below) travels 560 miles a week... for training.

Pat still lives in Toddington, near Luton, in the house he bought soon after moving to Arsenal from Newcastle in September, 1976.

When he was transferred to Birmingham in August, 1977, the club agreed to allow him to continue living there.

The club's training ground is 70 miles away, but Pat has got used to the travelling.

"In fact I can get to Birmingham quicker than London when I was at Highbury," says Pat. "And I'm usually the first to arrive at our Elmdon training ground."



Should Chelsea sell Wilkins?

CHelsea must sell Ray Wilkins (right) if they want to stay in Division One... that is the opinion of many Stamford Bridge fans as The Blues prepare for a long, hard winter.

The England star would command a fee of around £600,000 and with this money, Chelsea could strengthen their side with two or three players, notably defenders.

Chelsea paid their first big fee in four years for striker Duncan McKenzie, but their real need is farther back.

They've been conceding goals that would make even a Sunday League manager hang his head in shame. Peter Bonetti, at 37 and in his last season, is showing signs of slowing down and hasn't been as commanding as usual.

Chelsea don't have a really commanding defender, despite two "giants" in Micky Droy and Steve Wicks. And, like Bonetti, Ron Harris, now 34, isn't the player he was.

Many critics feel even with Wilkins, Chelsea will go down. Our columnist was very upset at being substituted against Manchester City. Any of the players, with the exception of Stanley or Langley,

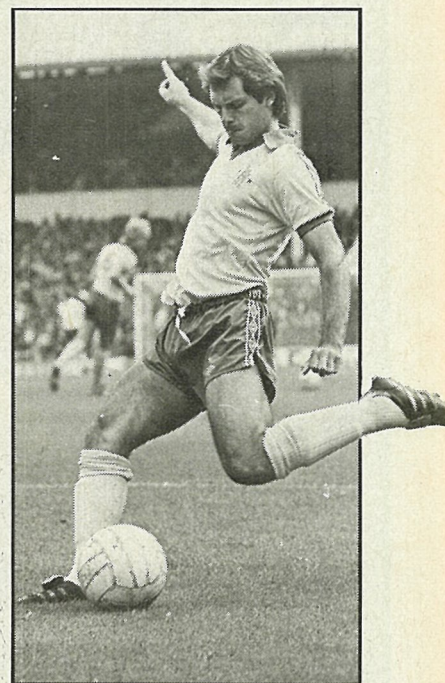
could have been substituted and perhaps it was "undiplomatic" of manager Ken Shellito to pull off the player who has done more for the club than any other in the last three years.

Wilkins' form has dipped playing in such a poor side; he has no one alongside him in midfield to help him out. Chelsea's midfielders are, in general, very similar... small and powerful. They need another "thinker" like Wilkins to make the openings for the front-men.

Chairman Brian Mears won't entertain any talk of selling the club's most valuable asset, but it seems good business and soccer sense to break the British transfer record (as Wilkins would) and then buy players who could keep you in the First Division. Because relegation for Chelsea would be soccer suicide.

Wilkins is happy and signed a two-year contract before the start of the season. Yet as the season goes on, Chelsea may decide the only way they can stay up is to buy two or three new players — and to do that they will have to sell.

That could be good news for Arsenal's Terry Neill, a Wilkins fan.



NORWICH may not be many people's choice to get among the game's top honours this season.

But if they made an award for the best programme in the

League they would be well in the running to win it.

Norwich's publication — The Canary — is a superbly presented job and as good as any we have seen.

ALBION'S BLACK GOLD

WHO is Britain's most valuable striker? Andy Gray, Bob Latchford, Charlie George, Kenny Dalglish?

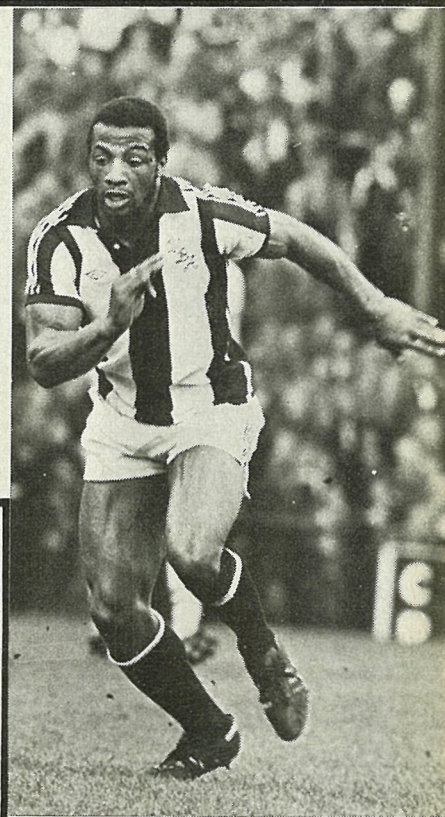
None of these according to West Brom manager Ron Atkinson. The most valuable and exciting striker in Britain is 20-year-old Cyrille Regis (right), the man who Atkinson describes as "Black Gold." And Atkinson says he is not prejudiced just because he happens to play for Albion.

West Brom turned down a reputed £600,000 offer from crack French side St-Etienne for Regis last season, because Atkinson describes his coloured French Guyana star as "priceless."

Says Ron: "Cyrille has made a tremendous impact in just 12 months. He has staggered me with some of the goals he has scored. With his natural talent and limited experience I just shudder to think how valuable he will become."

Yet, incredibly, nearly every First Division club in London watched him as an amateur with Isthmian League Hayes and refused to meet their £10,000 valuation.

Now there must be a few red faces at Arsenal, Spurs, Chelsea and Q.P.R. as England's new Under-21 cap Regis soars towards the £700,000 class and emerges as the biggest box office draw since George Best.



Derek's England target

DEREK Dawkins, a young right-back with Leicester, has one big ambition — he wants to play for England 100 times! Edmonton-born Dawkins, who will be 19 in November, is a former England schoolboy trialist. He made his League debut for Leicester last season at Derby.

Dawkins, who now lives in Leicester, has high hopes of young brother Everal on the soccer front. Everal plays for two local clubs, Syston Juniors and Wigston Fields.

LIVERPOOL, famous for developing talent from the lower Divisions, could be poised for another "snatch". Manager Bob Paisley has been watching Chester's young defender Paul Raynor.

JACK Charlton bought Ray Blackhall from Newcastle for £25,000 to replace right-back Richard Walden who insisted upon a transfer and joined Newport.

Jack didn't call down a pit for a footballer, as the Geordies tell you it's all you have to do, but he did the next best thing; he bought Blackhall whose birthplace is the pit-town of Ashington where Jack and Bobby Charlton and their famous cousins, the Milburn family, come from.

'THANKS, SHOOT'

TAMPA Bay Rowdies 'keeper Winston DuBose is back starring for Southern League Cambridge City... thanks to SHOOT.

Last season, City manager Dave Worthington read an article in NEWS DESK which stated Winston was over in this country, training with Southampton.

"All he needs is some playing experience with a good non-League club," said Saints boss Lawrie McMenemy.

Dave Worthington, searching for a 'keeper to replace his injured first team man, rang his old friend Lawrie who readily released Winston.

"He played 20 games last season and was out-of-this world," said Dave. "Winston is now back with City and I'll be looking for an even better performance this term."

"I'd like to thank SHOOT for helping me capture a lad who has all the makings of a first class 'keeper."

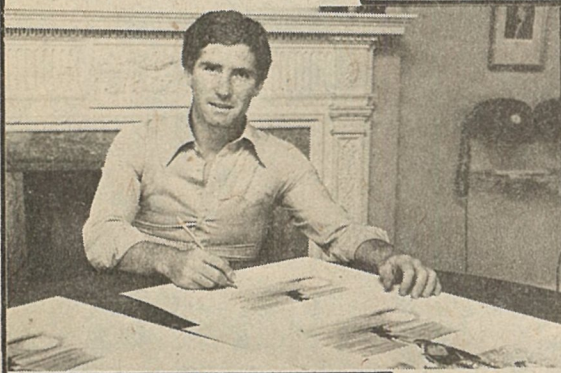
Dave Worthington, the former Halifax, Barrow, Grimsby and Southend defender, and brother of ex-England star Frank, now with Bolton, is doing a fine job at Cambridge City. Perhaps one day in the near future we'll see him operating in a higher League.

The 'new Alan Ball'

GARY MEGSON is 18, slight of build and with a red mop of hair. He plays in midfield for modest Plymouth Argyle and according to manager Malcolm Allison could emerge as "the new Alan Ball."

Son of former Sheffield Wednesday defender Don Megson, young Gary has already been checked by Everton, Bristol City, Liverpool, Arsenal and West Ham... and he is still improving.

His value? "At least £100,000," claims the brash Allison.



Spurs are chasing Sheffield Wednesday's brilliant 19-year-old goalkeeper Bob Bolder. Despite denials, expect a Keith Burkinshaw bid.

The 'old' Ballie — a work of art

SOUTHAMPTON captain Alan Ball (above) has been a busy man lately. When he hasn't been helping Saints off to a good start in Division One, he's been signing copies of a print of a watercolour painting of himself.

Artist Roger Harvey has painted Ballie and a limited edition of 750 copies have been printed. Cost: £35 each.

After Alan, Harvey is painting Ipswich skipper Mick Mills and Peter Shilton of Nottingham Forest.

GARY Wood, a 22-year-old Notts County left-back, has certainly been around.

The Kettering-born defender who joined County in December last year had trials with Nottingham Forest and Stoke and has also played for Rothwell Town and Kettering.

Formerly a plater-welder with British Steel, he played for Kettering as a semi-professional. He cost County a low-figure fee.



CRACK Dutch club Ajax saw Walter McCall (left, white shirt) playing for San Diego Sockers in the States during the summer and approached him with the offer of a two year contract. They quickly lost interest when Walter told Ajax officials he was an Ayr United player and would be returning to the club for the start of the present season.

Ulster's most expensive player

SKILFUL, scheming, freescoring Billy Caskey's £50,000 move from Glentoran to Derby County, in September, 1978, made him Ulster's costliest player and ended months of transfer speculation surrounding the ex-Oval star.

The deal followed unsuccessful bids by the likes of Tottenham, Sunderland, Sheffield United and Tulsa Roughnecks, for whom 23-year-old Caskey shone in the 1978 NASL campaign, to capture the stylish striker, scorer of 80 top-grade goals in his four-year term with The Glens.

Though Belfast-born Caskey had been a Northern Ireland squad member on a number of occasions, he still hadn't gained a long-awaited full cap by the early stages of 1978-79, but this top honour seemed a formality after his lucrative cross-channel move to Tommy Docherty-managed Derby.

Indeed, dynamic Billy could soon become an automatic choice of club and international level, to follow in the illustrious international footsteps of Glentoran-groomed "greats" like Peter Doherty, Jimmy McIlroy, Billy Bingham and current Irish boss Danny Blanchflower.

GILLINGHAM, Exeter City and Southend United have been in the game longer than any other clubs, past or present, without ever having reached Second Division status.

All were founder members of the Third Division in 1920, and have since spent their lives either there or in the Fourth.

KEY FIGURE

WATFORD, the ambitious team who moved out of the Fourth Division in the convincing style of Champions last season, now have their eyes firmly placed on a Second Division spot and close season signing John Stirk could prove a key figure in that bid.

Stirk, who joined Watford from Ipswich for a bargain-basement £30,000, is a ver-

satile player who can serve his team both as full-back and midfielder. A former England Youth international, the Consett-born Stirk is relishing the first team football the move to Watford gave him and his inspiring displays are just what is needed to boost Watford on course for a Second Division spot.

Calling London's Blades

ARE there any SHOOT readers interested in forming a London Branch of the Sheffield United Supporters' Club? If so, write to Mr. R. M. Allan, 74 Bensham Manor Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey CR4 7AB, or telephone 01-874 1259.

CHESTERFIELD paid out their biggest-ever transfer fee twice in a few days in August. They created a club record by paying Halifax £25,000 for Bobby Flavell and then topped that when Geoff Salmons arrived from Leicester for £35,000.

RANGERS want West Brom's unsettled star Willie Johnston, but only at the right price. Ibrox manager John Greig has said he will pay no more than £50,000 for the 32-year-old winger.

TWO former Celtic players played a big part in helping Hibs give the Parkhead club their first Premier Division defeat of the season. The only goal was scored by Willie Temperley who was released by Celtic at the end of last season.

The other ex-Celt who did a fine job was Jackie McNamara who has settled down nicely at Easter Road. Jackie has also been voted Hibs "Player of the Year" — a unanimous choice by all the supporters' clubs.

QUEENS Park Rangers, following up their interest in Ulster players after their 1977-78 £40,000 capture of Linfield ace Billy Hamilton, recently signed promising Belfast youngster Simon Fullerton.

Captain of the Northern Ireland Schools' side last term, 15-year-old Fullerton, a talented midfielder, had also been a target for several other English and Irish League clubs.

Eire Managerial Changes

FIVE League of Ireland clubs started the season with new managers. Here is a list of the 16 in charge in Eire...

Athlone Town
Bohemians
Cork Alberts
Cork Celtic
Drogheda United
Dundalk
Finn Harps
Galway Rovers
Home Farm
Limerick
St. Patrick's Ath.
Shamrock Rovers
Shelbourne
Sligo Rovers
Thurles Town
Waterford

Sean Thomas
Billy Young
Noel O'Mahony†
Amby Fogarty*
Jimmy McAlinden
Jim McLaughlin†
Eunan Blake
Tommy Callaghan†
Dave Bacuzzi
Roger Connolly*
Ralph O'Flaherty
John Gilest
Mick Dalton*
Billy Sinclair†
Pat Dunnet
Tommy Jackson†

† = Player Manager.
* = New appointment.

GILLESPIE WILL BE GREAT

GARY Gillespie (right) has moved backwards to move forward at Coventry City, where he is already rated as international material.

Gillespie, who stands 6ft. 2ins., was a midfielder player but then decided to move into the back-four and ever since his career has improved by leaps and bounds.

It was only 18 months ago Gary was playing non-League soccer when Falkirk took him on as an apprentice professional. At 17 he was the youngest member of the side and within a few matches he was appointed skipper.

Coventry quickly spotted his potential and paid out £45,000 for his services with a further £30,000 after he made ten Football League appearances.



He said: "I've always been lucky in soccer. I've had some good breaks and I am really enjoying myself playing with Coventry."

EUROPEAN CUP

BRITAIN IN

AEK ATHENS

v

NOTTINGHAM FOREST

(Viv Anderson)

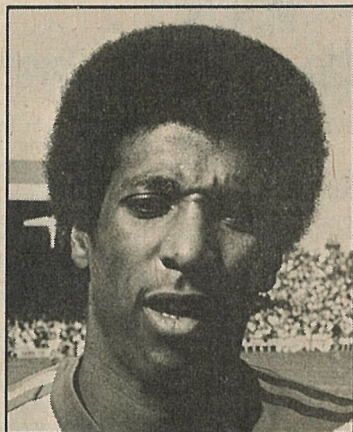
'FOREST NEED FEAR NO ONE NOW'

AFTER beating Liverpool, I feel we have a good chance to go a long way in the European Cup — my feelings has always been Liverpool were the team to beat, and having accomplished that we don't need to fear anyone.

At the same time, having drawn AEK Athens away in the first-leg, I know we won't suffer from over-confidence. In our pre-season matches I've learned respect for the Continental style, which features a slow build-up, and probing for gaps in the opposing defence.

The players over there are skilful and very good finishers.

They can be fast on the flanks too but I would regard playing against a fast winger as a challenge. And the fact we are away from home for the first match — before the draw, I had no marked preference for being home or



away, but at least we will know what sort of task we have facing us in the second-leg.

RANGERS

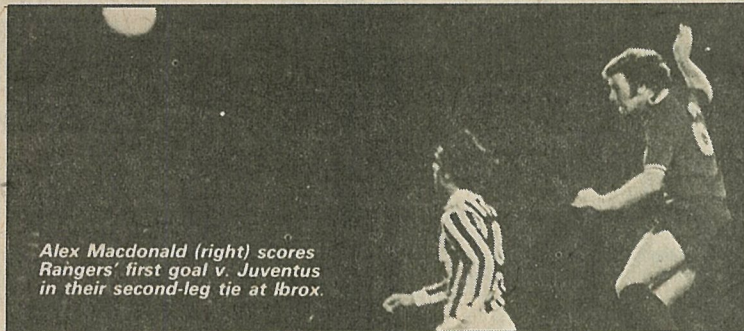
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PSV EINDHOVEN

(Gordon Smith)

'WE WANTED A TOUGH DRAW'

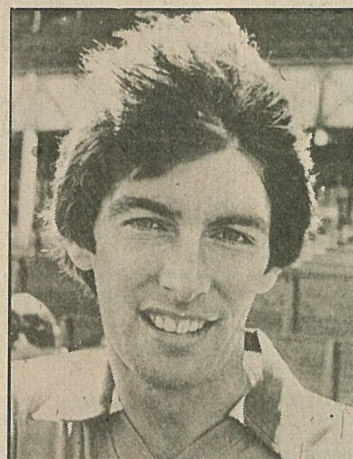
OBVIOUSLY this is a very tough draw for us. However, this is the way manager John Greig and all the players at Ibrox wanted it.



Alex Macdonald (right) scores Rangers' first goal v. Juventus in their second-leg tie at Ibrox.

After beating Juventus Rangers are afraid of no one.

The Dutch will be a hard team to knock out. To be honest I don't



know too much about the team at the moment, but I am certain we will be well briefed on their strengths and weaknesses before we meet current U.E.F.A. Cup holders on Wednesday (October 18th).

Possibly it would have been better to have played the first-leg away from home, but at the same time we are confident of making progress through to the next round.

After our victory over Juventus we have earned a reputation in Europe and I hear we are among the favourites to actually win the trophy.

However, we all realise the Dutch are exceptionally good players and to win their League is no mean feat. But with our crowd urging us on as they did against Juventus I am sure we can build up the sort of lead at Ibrox that will see us through.

CUP-WINNERS' CUP

IPSWICH TOWN

v

SWW INNSBRUCK

(David Geddis)

'NO SHOCKS FROM THE SWISS'

I ONLY just missed playing against AZ '67 Alkmaar in the last round, which Ipswich won 2-0 on aggregate. I still hadn't fully recovered from injury and manager Bobby Robson obviously didn't want to risk me.

But I should be fully fit and raring to go in our Second Round tie against Innsbruck.

I think Ipswich have got a great chance of going through. We had a look at Innsbruck before the start of the season when they were taking part in the same tournament as ourselves in Bruges. Funny enough AZ also took part in the competition.

None of us were very impressed with Innsbruck at this time. They had big defenders, but a very light-

weight attack with two people playing wide and only one striker in the middle. And like most foreign sides they had a sweeper behind the defence.

I'd have been happier if the first-leg had been over there but I still fancy us.



The Austrians showed in the World Cup they are very good at the technical aspects of the game and we are in for two hard games. But the experience Ipswich have gained in Europe over the last few years should see us through.

ABERDEEN

v

FORTUNA DUSSELDORF

(Steve Archibald)

'I AIM TO SCORE AGAINST THE WEST GERMANS'

THERE is no way we will be complacent about this game against the West Germans. Their name might not be well-known throughout Europe, but that must



Paul Mariner of Ipswich gets a toe to this effort to score v. Alkmaar.

be due to the amazing success of Bayern Munich and Borussia Mönchengladbach.

When you talk about West German football you automatically think of players such as Sepp Maier, Gerd Müller, Jupp Heynckes and Uli Hoeness, but, of course, this is a new era in their soccer and Fortuna must be an emerging team.

The first-leg is at home which is the reverse of our First Round tie against Marek Dimitrov, of Bulgaria, but I don't know if this will be a hindrance.

Against the Bulgarians we knew exactly what we had to do and came from a 3-2 deficit to win 5-3 on aggregate.

Obviously we are confident we can get through this round and I hope to put a couple of goals away myself.

EUROPE... U.E.F.A. CUP

SPORTING BRAGA

v.

WEST BROM

(Derek Statham)

**'ALBION CAN GO
ALL THE WAY'**

AFTER our professional display and victory against Galatasaray of Turkey in the previous round, we are quietly confi-



dent of getting the right result against Sporting Braga in Portugal.

I must admit I know nothing about our opponents but I am sure manager Ron Atkinson will send his assistant Colin Addison to watch them in action — as he did in the First Round.

This is my first taste of European club football and I am enjoying it immensely. We approach these games the same as if they were First Division opponents.

The U.E.F.A. Cup is possibly the hardest of the European competitions to win and I am confident West Brom can go all the way and even capture the trophy.

MANCHESTER CITY

v.

STANDARD LIEGE

(Mike Channon)

**'THE BELGIANS CAN
WORRY ABOUT US'**

WE ARE not frightened of anybody, and just take every game as it comes. Standard Liege will be the visitors for the first-leg and it doesn't make any difference as far as I am concerned.

When we meet the Belgians away in the return we won't try to play it tight, because City are not a side that plays like that.

We always go for a win, but without being silly — we have discipline. And as regards what sort of team Liege are, I expect our manager Tony Book will be taking a look at them.

The lads are in good heart and the question of their style, strengths and weaknesses is something we will be briefed on later on.

I feel it is not up to us to worry about their style, as the chances are they will be wondering what to expect from us. Whatever happens, you can be sure City will have a go, and we have the players who can get safely into the next round.



STRASBOURG

v.

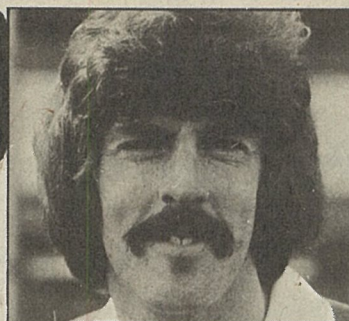
HIBERNIAN

(Tony Higgins)

**'FORMIDABLE
FRENCH'**

WE just scraped through in the last round, it was a 3-2 aggregate victory over Sweden's Norrkoping, but I believe we should have won by a far wider margin.

The French World Cup team showed in Argentina there is an awful lot of talent in their football at the moment and that means



Strasbourg must be formidable opponents.

However, with a manager such as Eddie Turnbull behind us we can go into this game with confidence.

The boss planned our tactics superbly when we beat Norrkoping. Hibs led 3-2 from the first-leg at Easter Road and we knew we could not afford a 1-0 defeat in Sweden.

As it was, the manager gave us all our instructions and everything worked out magnificently as we held the Swedes to a 0-0 draw.

HAJDUK SPLIT

v.

ARSENAL

(Pat Rice)

**'GUNNERS WILL
ATTACK AWAY'**

It really didn't matter who we were paired with for our next adventure in the U.E.F.A. Cup. Every game is going to be tough, and our tie against Hajduk Split will be no exception.

We travel to Yugoslavia for the first-leg. Some away teams play for a draw, but I honestly can't see



Arsenal following that attitude. We're going to attack. Going forward proved the right tactics in the last round when we thrashed the East German side, Lokomotiv Leipzig 4-1 at their place.

Arsenal played Hajduk Split during a summer tour in 1976 and lost 2-0.

But we beat them 5-0 at Highbury in John Radford's testimonial last May.

Although Arsenal are optimistic and can gain confidence from that result, we know it's going to be a very difficult task.

EVERTON

v.

DUKLA PRAGUE

(Bob Latchford)

**'EVERTON MUST
PLAY
LIKE LIVERPOOL'**

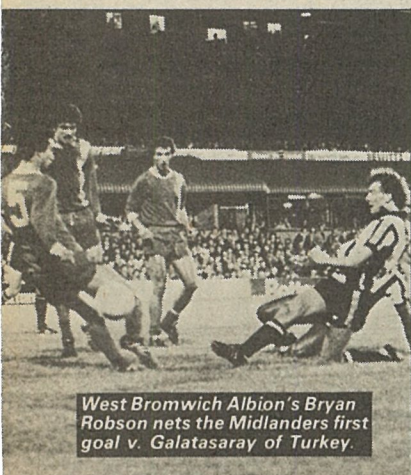
IT'S a tough draw and I would have preferred it if we had been playing away first, so we knew exactly what we had to accomplish in the return game at Goodison.



But having said that, Everton are a well equipped side, and it is up to us to get a couple or more goals at home, then play it tight away.

But I'm confident Everton will do well, and we could take a leaf out of Liverpool's book — they have had their successes in Europe over the years by simply refusing to give anything away to Continental sides and we'll be aiming to do the same.

There are some good teams in the competition, such as Ajax and Valencia, Benfica and Monchengladbach, but we'll be all out to show we can compete with any of them.



West Bromwich Albion's Bryan Robson nets the Midlanders first goal v. Galatasaray of Turkey.

and Eire's chances, too

FOR the first time ever two League of Ireland clubs have got through to the Second Round of European competitions in the same season. However, the draw has been unkind to Bohemians and Shamrock Rovers, and it's unlikely another piece of history will be made by two Eire clubs getting to the Quarter-Finals.

Bohemians are paired with Dynamo Dresden in the European Cup and can hardly be confident of beating the East Germans.

Bohs beat Omonia of Nicosia on the away goals rule, while Dynamo got through the First Round on penalties against Partizan Belgrade.

Bohemians only previous Second Round appearance was two seasons

back when they went out to Glasgow Rangers in the Cup-Winners' Cup.

Shamrock Rovers also have a tough one. They are away to Banik Ostrava of Czechoslovakia in the first-leg and can only hope to keep the score down and get the Czechs back to Milltown, where they played so well against Apole of Nicosia. Banik got to the Second Round by beating Sporting Lisbon 2-0 on aggregate.

Rovers have got through to the Second Round of the Cup-Winners' Cup once before. In 1966 they knocked out Sporta Luxembourg in the First Round but went down 3-4 on aggregate to Bayern Munich in the Second Round.

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Six to go

Could you tell me which current First Division clubs have never yet won the F.A. Cup?

RONALD LYNAS,
MIDDLESBROUGH

● There are just half a dozen of them, Ronald — Birmingham, Bristol City, Coventry, Middlesbrough, Norwich, and Q.P.R.

And, as it happens, none of them have won the League title, either.

Nine goal Ted

Who's scored the most goals in any one F.A. Cup-tie?

ANGELA NICHOLSON,
SOUTHPORT.

● Southampton's Ted MacDougall is the man, Angela — in his earlier days with Bournemouth.

In the First Round, on 20th November, 1971, he banged in nine goals to knock non-League Margate a bit dizzy with an 11-0 hammering.

Arsenal in Europe

As a keen Arsenal fan, I'd like to know how they fared in the European Cup after they won the "Double" in 1970-71?

SIMON BUSHELL,
CAMBERLEY.

● The Gunners reached the Quarter-Finals, Simon, before being knocked-out by ultimate Cup-winners Ajax 3-1 on aggregate — losing 1-2 away, and 0-1 at home.

Before that, Arsenal beat Norway's Stromgodset 7-1 (winning 3-1 away, and 4-0 at home); and Switzerland's Grasshoppers 5-0 (2-0 away, and 3-0 at home).

Ted Ditchburn

Can you tell me how many games that fine goalkeeper Ted Ditchburn played for Spurs?

SIMON FISH,
REDHILL.

● Ditchburn made his Second Division debut for Spurs, his only top-class club, in August, 1939 — but War broke out a few days later to postpone his career proper until normal peacetime League football resumed seven years later.

From then onwards, he was unchallenged as the club's number one 'keeper for many years — missing only two League games, through injury, in the first seven post-War seasons.

He even had a run of 247 consecutive League games between April, 1948 and March, 1954, during which period he gained a League Championship medal in 1950-51.

By the time he retired in 1959, Ditchburn had played a record of 418 League games for Spurs — since surpassed by another fine 'keeper in Pat Jennings — and 34 F.A. Cup-ties. He also won six full international caps for England, after earlier appearing in the strong Wartime team for his country.

Alex the goal-maker

How many goals did the great Alex James score for Arsenal?

KEVIN GORDON,
BRACKNELL

● Not all that many, Kevin. But, remember, James was primarily regarded there as a maker — rather than a taker — of goals.

In eight seasons with Arsenal in the 1930's, he played 231 League games — and scored 26 goals.

But, in that period, wee Alex's superb ball-playing skills helped Arsenal to four League Championships and two F.A. Cup wins.

In his earlier days — three seasons with Raith Rovers; then four with Preston — James was used more as a goalscorer, and his complete League record ended at 106 goals in 473 games.

Top gates

Could you tell me Manchester United's average home League gates from the 1968-69 season onwards?

ANDREW MARNER,
AYRSHIRE

● In two words, Andrew — very healthy! More precisely, though, this is how they went.

1968-69 — 51,121; 1969-70 — 51,115; 1970-71 — 44,754; 1971-72 — 45,999; 1972-73 — 48,623; 1973-74 — 42,712; 1974-75 — 48,388; 1975-76 — 54,750; 1976-77 — 53,709; 1977-78 — 51,857.

Like they say... follow that!

SHORT PASSES

● It was Derby who beat Spurs 8-2 in the season before last (16th October, 1976).

(GREGOCIY PAPADAYIANNIS, Greece)

● In the 1970 European Cup Semi-Final, Celtic beat Leeds 1-0 at Elland Road (att. 45,505); and 2-1 at Hampden Park (att. 134,000).

(GRAEME WARK, Hamilton)

● Leeds' last six managers have been Bill Lambton, Jack Taylor, Don Revie, Brian Clough, Jimmy Armfield, and Jock Stein.

(DAVE FURBOROUGH, Leicester)

● Leicester have played in four F.A. Cup Finals (1949, 1961, 1963, and 1969) but never yet won the trophy.

(JOHN PRIESTLAND, Nottingham)

Our Expert would like to point out that although all letters are read, he can only reply to published questions because of shortage of time.

LISTENING to the draw for the Second Round of the European Cup competition and not hearing the name of Liverpool, but that of our greatest British rivals, Nottingham Forest, was probably the most bitter experience we at Anfield have had in all our years of battling in Europe.

For only the second time in 14 years of successful campaigning, during which we have twice won both the European Cup and the U.E.F.A. Cup, had we been halted in the First Round. And in the past four years we were unbeaten.

This disappointment cut deeper for two reasons: first, because we had been convinced we were due to join the select group of teams that had lifted the huge, coveted Cup three successive times — Real Madrid, Ajax and Bayern Munich — and secondly, because our conquerors are Forest, who last season robbed us of our third Championship in a row, and our very first League Cup Final victory.

Apart from presenting Liverpool with Champions Forest as our first opponents, this year's draw seemed tailor-made for experienced European campaigners like us. Away in the first-leg, where we always play tightly-controlled football against difficult opposition; and at home for the second, where we can relax and open-up on all cylinders boosted by the magnificent Kopites.

We expected Forest, unused to the demands and techniques of playing in Europe, to treat the first-leg like a conventional F.A. Cup-tie.

To our advantage was our League form. We had had a dream start to the season, with several marvellous wins, whereas Forest, under pressure as Champions, when every team redoubled its efforts to beat them, had struggled. Although they were also unbeaten, they had several times been held to undistinguished draws.

Champions

However, we were aware for this tie the pressure was off Forest and on us. We were the European Champions with everything to lose!

Forest took us by surprise with a ploy obviously devised by their two Svengalis: manager Brian Clough and his assistant Peter Taylor. It was something completely new to us, a tactic we'd had no experience of.

Their three midfielders were given the task of "picking up" our midfielders, allowing them no space and refusing to be lured into the false positions which could present our forwards and defenders with goal chances.

Archie Gemmill marked Ray Kennedy; John McGovern, Graeme Souness; and Ian Bowyer, Terry McDermott.

The strategy succeeded. Clough and Taylor had worked out that mid-field was our strongest, most dangerous department, and devised a simple, effective method of nullifying it. You're always learning in football, and we were taught a lesson we shan't forget that night at the City Ground.

Things started to go badly wrong



for us after young Garry Birtles, a youngster who cost Forest a paltry £2,000 and with only a handful of League appearances behind him, knocked in a simple goal from a pass through our wide-open defence.

Instead of closing the game down, going on the defensive to bring Forest to Anfield with only one goal needed to put us on level terms again, as we would have done against any Continental side, we committed the error of pushing forward, striving for an equaliser.

It brought near-disaster. In the closing minutes their left-back, Colin Barrett, drove the ball past me with a first-time kick in a crowded box.

Our manager, Bob Paisley, predicted an uphill struggle in the return leg, and he was dead right. Forest had that valuable second goal to play with. We had to go on all-out attack, with the danger of them snatching a third goal from a breakaway out of defence.

Our best chance was to grab an

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early goal. On the big night, with not a spare seat or open space on the terracing to be seen, and The Kop in full cry, we began in fine style.

In a pre-match interview, Mr. Clough had discounted The Kop's power, saying they don't score goals, but many times in the past they had fired us with the inspiration to pull a win out of the fire.

Our players gave everything right from the kick-off signalled by the French referee. For the first twenty minutes we dominated Larry Lloyd — a former Kop favourite — and his yellow shirts, and the signs looked good for our first goal.

Kenny Dalglish headed down powerfully close in, with Peter Shilton beaten, only to see full-back Viv Anderson clear off the line.

I was a mere spectator. The only time I was seriously needed came when the lad Birtles broke away after one of our fruitless attacks, and I slide-tackled on the edge of the box.

It was frustrating to watch Kenny



'Colin Barrett scored the second vital goal for Forest'

and Co. driving themselves to the physical limit to break down a Forest side defending superbly, as though they had years of European know-how behind them.

Soon after the interval, Kenny was again denied a goal. Swivelling on the ball as only he can, he sent in a blistering, rising shot, which against a lesser 'keeper than Peter would have stretched the roof of the net. But my opposite number, in unbeatable form, pushed the ball, double-handed, over the bar.

As the game wore on, tiredness began to take its toll of our players. Bob Paisley had told them their only chance of winning was to run until they dropped, and he was prepared to use all 13 players.

Sure enough, he pulled off Jimmy Case and Terry McDermott and sent on Davey Fairclough and Dave

our trainers. The rest of us just buried our heads in our hands.

The only consolation, I suppose, is Forest — if they can stick to the formula of winning at home and not losing away — are capable of going right through and becoming only the fourth British club to capture the trophy.

Forest's big danger, from the clubs remaining, is PSV Eindhoven, the Dutch side I regard as the dark horses.

Our main priority is to win the League and have a crack at regaining the Continent's most prized Cup next time round.

But of course, we are not completely out of Europe yet, we still have to defend the Super Cup — in a two-legged 'Final' in December against Anderlecht.

Now for my preview of our League game this Saturday, October 14th, which is against Derby County at Anfield.

I'll be very interested to see how their 'keeper, John Middleton, shapes up, as we both went to the same school at Skegness, and this will be the first time I have played against him.

John is one of the most promising around, already having played for the England Under-21 and 'B' sides.

I was surprised Derby sold Colin Todd, as he and Roy McFarland, now fully fit, were a hard-to-beat combination.

Our defence will have to be on its toes to deal with Charlie George and new signing John Duncan, who will be wanting to wipe out the memory of that 7-0 defeat we inflicted on his previous club, Spurs.

Join up with me next week when I'll be talking about England's next European Championship game, against the Republic of Ireland in Dublin.

RAY CLEMENCE talking soccer



WE WERE SHATTERED'

Johnson. Both have reputations for scoring vital goals as substitutes. Davey's most notable was the winner against St-Etienne two years ago, while Dave got a goal against Borussia Monchengladbach in the Semi-Final last season in Dusseldorf, and two this season in our 7-0 drubbing of Spurs in the League.

It was too much to expect them to penetrate the Forest "iron curtain" that rarely showed a chink of light.

Most outstanding in their back-four were Larry and Kenny Burns, while up-front Birtles and Tony Woodcock did a fine job of preventing our defenders from joining in attacks.

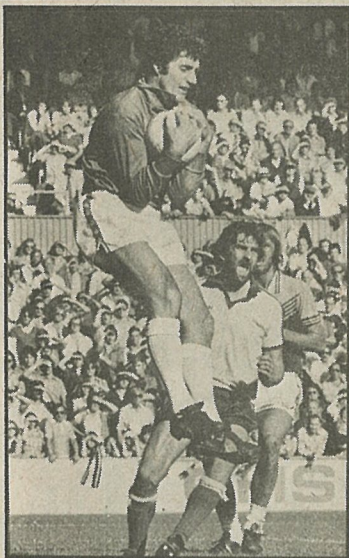
At the final whistle, we were shattered, physically and mentally. It was difficult to adjust to the fact we were out of the competition at the first hurdle, denied achieving what we'd almost come to expect as our right: to hold the European Cup for a third year.

Phil Thompson probably felt the blow hardest, being born and bred on Merseyside, and had to be comforted in the dressing-room by



Ray Clemence

'At Anfield, Forest (light shirts) played like Europe veterans'



HARD FOR HAMMERS

AS a long-standing West Ham fan I was pleased to read SHOOT's article in which rival Second Division managers tipped them for promotion.

While I agree there is a lot of talent in The Hammers' team, promotion will be very difficult indeed. West Ham are the side everyone in Division Two wants to beat and opponents raise their game accordingly.

This means promotion for West Ham will be harder than for some of their rivals.

ED AHERN,
SWAYTHLING.

● I have my doubts. The Hammers' defence (above, 'keeper Bobby Ferguson saves) looks far too frail and the team hasn't changed since being relegated. West Ham will need new faces to go up ... and, more important, stay up.

Pen-Pal

I LOVE English soccer and would very much like to have some penpals to keep me in touch with what's happening. Chelsea and Liverpool are my favourite teams; I am 17.

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This week's Star Letter comes from Peter Williams of Leeds, who wins our Special Prize of £3. He writes:

THIS ENGLAND FAN AGREES WITH THE DUBLIN PLAN

ALTHOUGH I'm one of the England fans who goes to cheer his country to victory, and not cause trouble, I must back the decision of the Football Association of Ireland to ban England supporters from the Eire/England game in Dublin.

I'm sorry I can't go, because I also have relatives in Dublin. I've followed England in many of their away trips, notably to Luxembourg and more recently Denmark, and I've been horrified at some of the scenes of vandalism and destruction.

I never thought I'd be ashamed to be English, but when an ashen-faced Dane, who has just been punched by one of my fellow countrymen, asks me "why?" ... what can I say?

I wouldn't want England playing in my home city if the small minority of thug fans behaved as they normally do. Therefore, it is reasonable for foreigners to want to protect their own interests ... hence the Dublin ban.

Perhaps now the message will be hammered home: England supporters are no longer welcome abroad. It hurts me to say this, because I love supporting my country.

It makes me proud when I go abroad and people say nice things about Eng-

land and English football. Despite the indifferent form of the national team over the past four or five years, to many people England are still tops.

Now, I hope we can have the sort of support the country who gave soccer to the world deserves. Let us take a leaf out of Argentina's book and support our team with words and chants, not our fists. The mindless minority who spoil a great game for the majority should stay away. Nobody in the sport wants them.

● My own view is the ban on England fans was correct and understandable. I feel the ban should also be applied to clubs whose fans have a poor record of behaviour. As you rightly pointed out, it is the majority of true supporters who are hit the most, but the time has come for positive action and in such instances genuine fans are bound to be inconvenienced. Still, if this is the price we must pay for peace, then it is a small one. The sad thing is the problem is not really a footballing one. The hooligans are representative of a minority of society in England and it's a shame they follow football.

Andy's the boy

AFTER reading your "Who is the better striker for Scotland?" article on Andy Gray and Joe Jordan, there can be only one answer ... Andy Gray.

You only have to look at their respective goalscoring records to see the Villa man is ahead with far more goals in less games.

Jordan has only ever done one thing and that was to head us into the 1974 World Cup Finals. In my view, Joe has played too many times for Scotland and Andy will

go on to become a great Scottish goalscorer.

ARCHIE WISEMAN,
GLASGOW.

● While they're different types of centre-forwards, Joe should still score more goals than he does. The fact Ally MacLeod recalled Gray to the Scotland side and substituted Jordan against Austria seemed to indicate the SHOOT columnist could be set for an extended run. But the new Scotland manager will have his own ideas.

Sick of Forest

I AM sick of Brian Clough. I am sick of Peter Taylor. Most of all I'm sick of Nottingham Forest. There — I've said it! I've defied all footballing experts from you (?) to Ron Greenwood.

Now, perhaps, someone could explain why every time I open a soccer magazine I find articles on the above subjects. I support Liverpool and it never ceases to amaze me why Forest merit more coverage than The Reds.

JANINE LYNCH,
BELFAST.

● The result of the European Cup-tie between the two clubs must have made EVERY Liverpool fan sick of Forest. We'll continue to give full coverage to Clough's Champions and hope we can report on a Forest/Rangers European Cup Final next May. But do bear in mind our regular columnist is Ray Clemence of Liverpool!

Stars back too soon?



DO we push our top players too hard? Both Dave Watson (right) and Emlyn Hughes had injuries shortly before the European Championship tie in Denmark and neither seemed fully fit. Hughes also looked one degree under against Forest in the European Cup first-leg after his knee injury.

I feel clubs are too eager to get their top players back in action and consequently they aren't 100 per cent. I've never seen Watson and Hughes so sluggish for England as they were in Copenhagen.

ROBIN GYNGEL,
WELLING.

● A good point. The problem with such a congested fixture list is that injuries have no time to clear properly. The final decision regarding fitness must lie with the players, but it does seem there is a lot of pressure on them.

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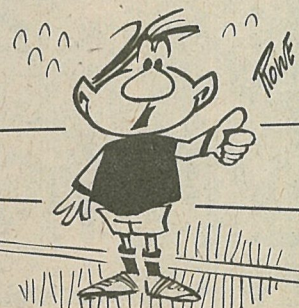
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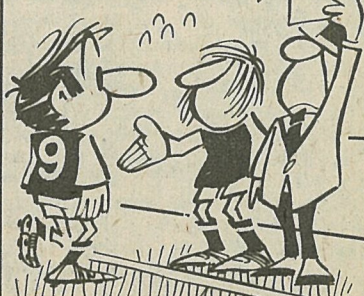
I THOUGHT OUR NUMBER SIX WAS HAVING A GOOD GAME



MIND YOU, HE READS A GAME WELL, OUR BOSS



WHICH IS MORE THAN CAN BE SAID FOR ME!





LEFT . . . Jimmy Case completes his hat-trick for Liverpool against Bolton.
 ABOVE . . . Cyrille Regis equalises for W.B.A. in their 3-1 win at Chelsea.



EVERY GOAL HAS A STORY...



ABOVE . . . The Manchester derby was not one of the best between City and United. The game seemed destined to end in a goalless draw until our columnist Gordon McQueen caused panic in the City defence with a header following a corner. The ball wasn't cleared properly and Joe Jordan (not in picture) was on hand to win the game for The Reds.

RIGHT . . . The penalty may have been disputed, but Peter Daniel made no mistake from the spot to give Wolves victory over Q.P.R.



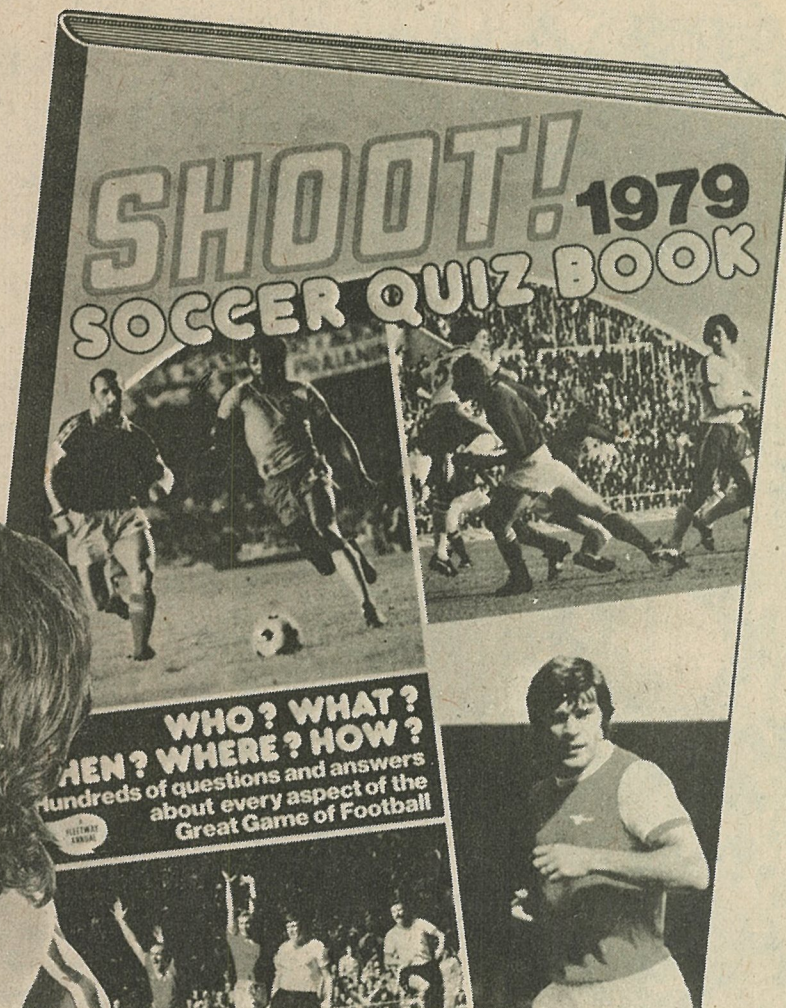
Which club has won the F.A. Cup most times?

Which team did Brian Clough and Peter Taylor run together before joining Nottingham Forest?

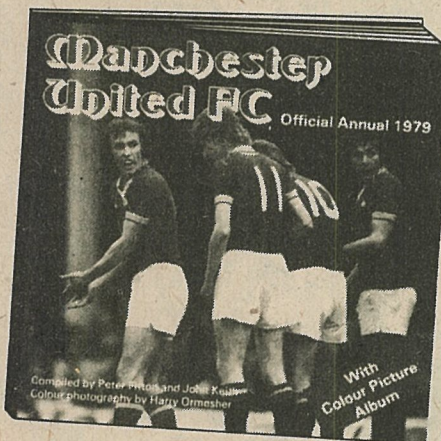
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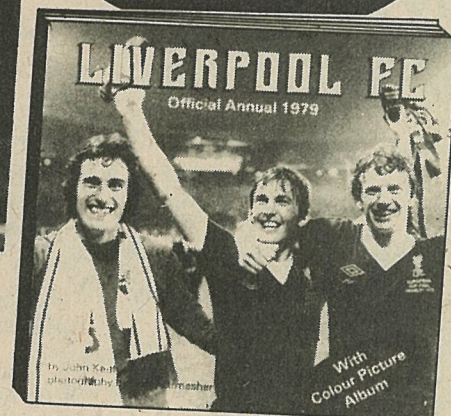
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REBUILDING CRUMBLING Q.P.R. - MAKING POSH PROUD AGAIN

these are the respective aims of managers
STEVE BURTENSHAW and JOHN BARNWELL

If ever a manager knew he had a heap of problems even before the start of season it was Steve Burtenshaw when he took over Queens Park Rangers.

To start he's the eighth occupant of the manager's chair at Loftus Road in ten years, which doesn't exactly nurture feelings of security.

The first thing he had to sort out was a queue of disgruntled players — almost the whole staff it seemed was in a rebellious mood. And after two seasons of slipping the relegation noose he knew, too, he was inheriting a side whose confidence was low.

Burtenshaw could have arrived at Shepherd's Bush four years earlier, but Sheffield Wednesday wouldn't release him from his contract. Later they sacked him, so instead of taking over the London club on the threshold of success as he would have done then, he finally arrived at a time of crisis.

As a coach at Arsenal, Everton and Rangers, Burtenshaw has proved himself in that capacity, beyond doubt, but he still has a hankering to succeed in management — hence the move from "going — places Goodison" to "rotting Rangers". Burtenshaw is sweeping nothing under the carpet.

"We have problems — it's no good pretending otherwise," he said. "It was a very disruptive summer, and morale was low after last term's disappointments."

"Several of the players' started the season over weight, and I

hadn't seen some of them play. "Glenn Roeder was with me as a junior at Arsenal, but I've never seen him play professionally. It's funny how the paths of some people never cross."

"I'd seen Rachid Harkouk for about half-an-hour and the boys signed last season from Ireland Paul McGee and Billy Hamilton were new to me as well."

"One of my first jobs was to assess the players on the staff, and to get everybody fit — then we can start going forward."

Burtenshaw may well have to go into the transfer market again to keep Rangers in the First Division. Remember he's already sold winger Leighton James back to Burnley for £165,000.

He still has three or four aces in the pack — but they're not always diamonds. Gerry Francis in the form that made him England captain, would be irreplaceable, but after his bout of injuries he has to prove himself, before he becomes an asset for Rangers or anyone else.

"Three years ago this club with virtually the same players nearly won the Championship," said Steve.

"I have to find out what's gone wrong and get them back into the habit of winning. We still play the sort of thoughtful football that helps win things, but there's not enough running, and not enough on the end of it," he reflected ruefully.

It could be another rocky road ahead for crumbling Rangers but Steve Burtenshaw intends to shift the stones — one by one.

WHEN Peterborough boss, John Barnwell, took over the managerial hot seat at London Road in May last year, he did so with two burning ambitions.

One was to get the club into the Second Division. The other was to balance the books and to clear off a crippling overdraft.

"We were £140,000 in the red and losing several hundred pounds a week," he says. "Today the position is a little different. We're making money weekly and we're well on the way to writing off the overdraft. We're also sitting with a nice blend of players."

"We missed promotion last term on goal difference. Everybody said it was lack of goals that didn't take us up, but it was a lack of goals during the early part of the season and not after the turn of the year that did it."

"I didn't get the side ticking over together as a team until late October, but our results from around that period until now have been first class. Without beating any drums, because it's still early days, I think the team we've got here at Peterborough is certainly capable of winning promotion."

"In our opening games we played something like 12 matches without defeat. Six of those were League games and we reached the Third Round of the League Cup with a home tie against Swindon which we drew 1-1. So, talking towards the start of October, it's looking good."

Barnwell, who hails from New-

castle, played for Bishop Auckland in his younger days before joining Arsenal in 1955. After nine seasons at Highbury he was transferred to Nottingham Forest, then after seven seasons a knee and ankle injury forced his retirement after a brief comeback with Sheffield United.

He teamed up with Noel Cantwell at Peterborough when the club was at the bottom of the Fourth Division and, when Cantwell resigned in 1977, in stepped John.

"When I first took over there was no money," he says, "and all I was allowed to do, or said I was allowed to do, was to take free transfer players. So I was committed to looking at what I'd got and then deciding how we would play."

"So I set out to stabilise. I got the club on the right footing financially and I got people believing. I tightened the playing side by giving them discipline and organisation on the pitch. We tightened our rearguard to such a degree there was only Nottm. Forest who had a better defensive record, but our attack suffered."

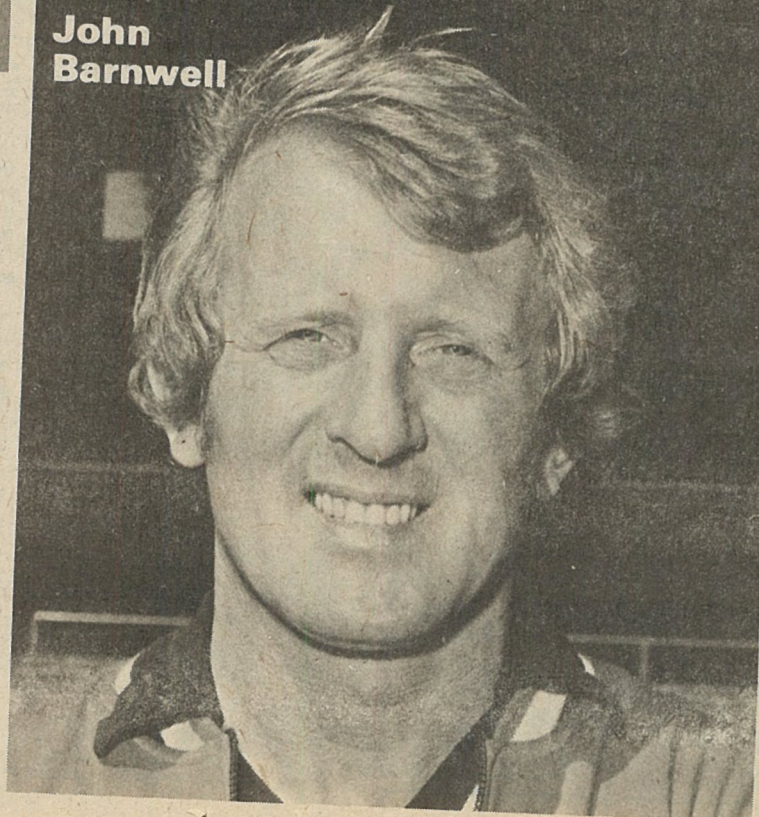
"When I look back to a year last May there are only two or three of the original players left, which is quite a turnaround. At the start of this season I brought left-back Archie Styles from Birmingham City and club record buy Bill Green, who is a centre-half, from West Ham."

"That was after selling Chris Turner to Luton for a club record in sales. So that smartened that side of things up. Basically, we've picked up where we left off last season. It's as simple as that."

"The youth side of the club is first class. Our youngsters reached the last eight of the F.A. Youth Cup last term and nine of those are still eligible to play again this year."

"So the future of Peterborough United is looking very, very bright indeed... there's nobody in this Division who frightens me."

John Barnwell



Steve Burtenshaw



THERE was a time not so long ago when the first name written into any England team always seemed to be the number six.

Bobby Moore was the almost permanent wearer of the shirt — a manager's dream.

And even before Bobby set up his record of 108 caps there were men like Ron Flowers and going further back Jimmy Dickinson who were virtual fixtures in the international side.

Flowers made 49 appearances, Dickinson 48. And even after mentioning such illustrious personalities we should still not forget perhaps the greatest of them all, Duncan Edwards of Manchester United.

But for the Munich tragedy, Duncan — said by many to be the finest all-round footballer they ever saw — would surely have added considerably to the 18 caps he had already won. Ironically I suppose England may never have discovered Bobby Moore who led them to their World Cup triumph of 1966, if Duncan had survived that terrible disaster.

Automatically

There's a growing feeling in the game, however, that for the first time in 30 years England does not have a number six who almost automatically pencils his name into Ron Greenwood's side.

At the moment, of course, dear old Emlyn Hughes is the sitting tenant, and he's done a fine job, following in the footsteps of the afore-mentioned.

But even Emlyn will admit he won't be around much longer.

The Liverpool captain thought his international days were numbered when Don Revie discarded him in 1975. But after two years out in the cold and an obvious change of heart by Revie, Emlyn was recalled and has brought great credit on himself, his club and his country, by the way he has matured as a person and as a player.

If you're thinking of the World Cup and Spain in 1982 though, you have to forget Emlyn and start



The Munich Air Disaster robbed England of a great player in Duncan Edwards (left).

thumbing through the candidates who may take over from him — and that's where the trouble starts.

Two years ago the picture did not look so bleak. Colin Todd was looked upon as a prince among peers, a defensive wing-half who we could look to go on for ever.

And waiting in the wings was a powerhouse of a player just coming along nicely and ready for the big time — Kevin Beattie.

So what has gone wrong?

Well, sadly Todd seemed to stand still, and just at the stage of his career when he should have been developing the sort of invincible aura that surrounded Bobby Moore, he instead developed a

The man who it would appear is being groomed ahead of his other rivals is Manchester City's Paul Futcher.

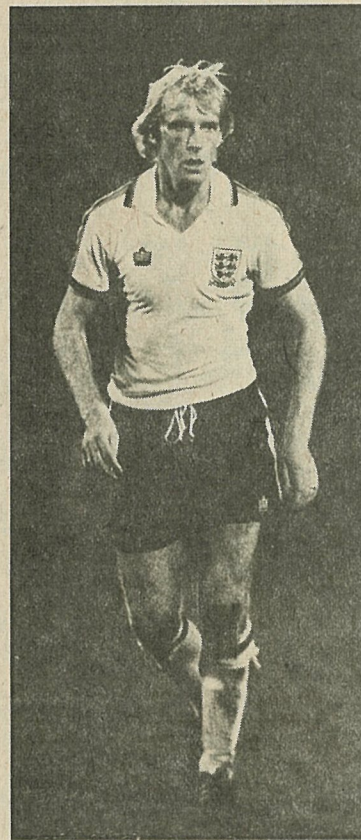
Despite being over-age he has been retained in the Under-21 side and played against Denmark in Copenhagen.

Unhappily for Ron Greenwood and his immediate boss Dave Sexton he did not have the happiest of nights, looking somewhat uncomfortable under pressure and certainly not ready for promotion to the senior side.

He suffered from comparison with the man playing on his left, Ken Sansom of Crystal Palace, who was brilliantly eye-catching, but even so he was too often caught in possession or harassed into mistakes to be happy with his performance.

It may be Futcher is still somewhat unsettled by his recent move

NUMBER SIX ENGLAND'S PROBLEM POSITION



Paul Futcher, the Manchester City defender, is a possible future number six.



couple of flaws that proved costly in internationals — and out he went.

He has not played in the white shirt of England since the British Championship of 1977, and unless his recent move from Derby to Everton rekindles the flame, that was probably his swan song.

As for Beattie he has become almost infuriatingly inconsistent.

Still a marvellous player when in full flight, he has gone back to such an extent that even his club manager Bobby Robson — once his greatest advocate — is expressing doubts as to whether he'll ever make it at the very highest level.

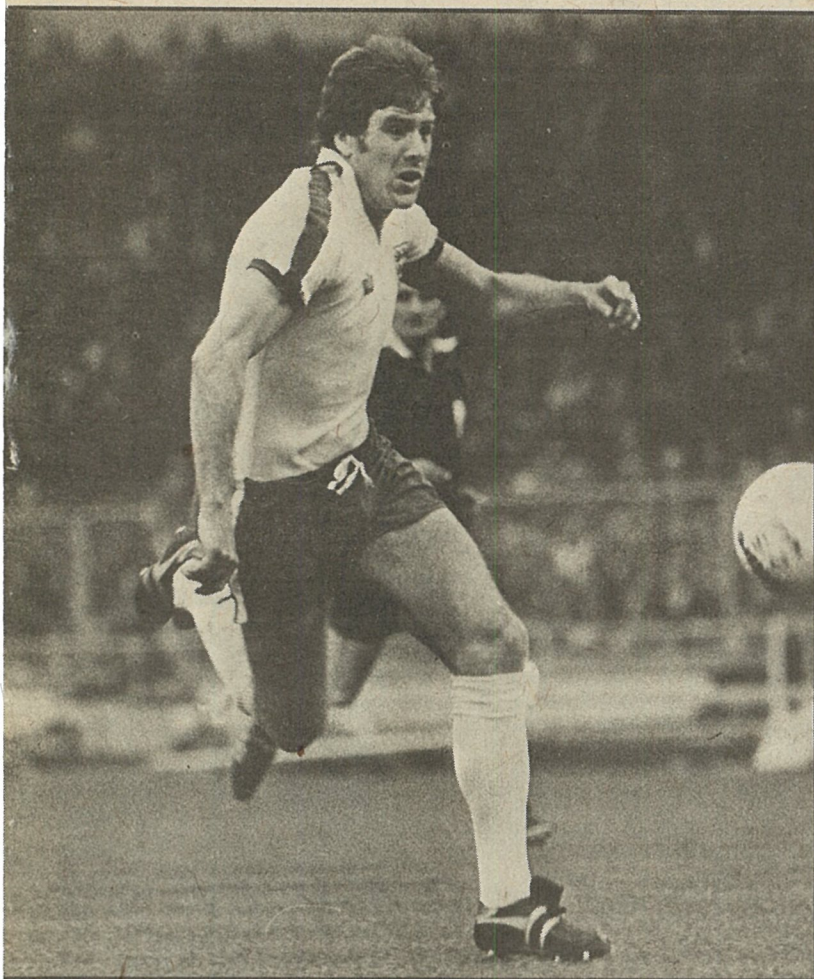
A succession of niggling injuries, the garden fire incident, a runaway to Carlisle to get away from the pressures of stardom all add up to one large query against the name of a player who like so many has the talent but perhaps not the temperament.

So if we dismiss Todd and Beattie from the reckoning, which pretenders does that leave us with?

Bobby Moore (left, white shirt) played a record 108 times for England.

from Luton to Manchester City, and preoccupied with making sure he fits into Tony Book's pattern, but somehow one expected more from him in that company in Copenhagen.

Another highly thought of youngster who may emerge as the eventual successor to Hughes is Leicester's Steve Sims. All that perhaps goes against him at the moment is his club has been relegated to the Second Division and until he is playing in our top



Emlyn Hughes (left) is the current player in the problem position.

League again he is bound to be disturbed by constant transfer talk and lack of practice against the very best strikers.

Anyone who saw enough of Orient last season will tell you Glenn Roeder is a quality player whose name must not be treated lightly.

Tall and elegant, Roeder plays the Bobby Moore type of sweeper role to perfection — or at least he did with Orient. Perhaps understandably he has now left Brisbane Road to further his career in the First Division.

But one wonders whether he has joined the right club — even at £200,000 — in Queens Park Rangers, where there seems to be an annual struggle at the wrong end of the table, and where at the moment young Roeder can't even get into the side.

Old stagers

Other fans up and down the country have personal preferences for such as Bob Hazell (Wolves), Steve Wicks (Chelsea), even old stagers Norman Hunter (Bristol City) and Paul Madeley (Leeds) and Steve Perryman (Spurs), but England have to look to the future and whoever gets the vote from Ron Greenwood must be chosen with first the European Championship Finals of 1980 and then the World Cup in mind.

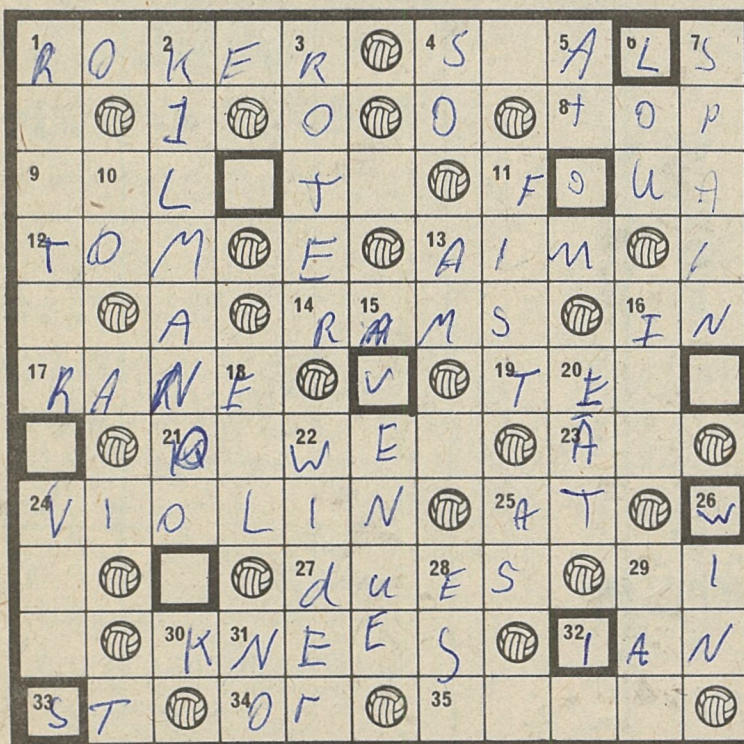


Another young hopeful is Queens Park Rangers new signing Glenn Roeder.

That being so it looks at the moment as if Futchner or Sims, with Roeder the outsider, will eventually get the nod, but unlike other positions where there look to be ready-made replacements coming up on the rails, the number six spot must be causing a little worry, for Ron Greenwood.

Go for the Double

After solving the clues in this specially compiled crossword, you can use the letters in the thick-edged squares to form the name of Ipswich Town winger.



ACROSS:

- (1) — Park, home of club from the North-East.
- (4) Tyne---t-e -ark (Hearts). Head part from the omissions.
- (8) B---ham Crescent (York City). The missing letters reversed.
- (9) Small arms of sea from the missing letters in Carl--- U-i-ed.
- (11) Unfair act against the rules.
- (12) — Finney, Footballer of the Year in 1953/54 & 1956/57.
- (13) M-nchester C-ty play at -aine Road.
- (14) Derby County, The —
- (16) Mol---eux, home of Wolves.
- (17) "Uncommon" from four letters in Rangers.
- (19) Look after . . . as the groundsman is paid to — the pitch.
- (21) ---port County play at Som---ton Park.
- (23) B---gor; Irish League club.
- (24) Musical instrument made from the omissions in Br-ght-n & Ho-e A-b-o-.
- (25) ---letico Madrid; winners of the European Cup-Winners' Cup, 1962.
- (27) ---n-riand. Tolls from the missing letters.
- (29) Jim -h-mson of Burnley.
- (30) Rest on bent legs.
- (32) — Britton, Chelsea midfield player.
- (33) — Etienne, losing European Cup Finalists, 1975/76.
- (34) B---deaux; French League club.
- (35) Jimmy —, Bristol City player.

DOWN:

- (1) Scottish club from Starks Park ground. (5 & 6)
- (2) Another Scottish club who originally played Rugby . . . hence the name of their ground.
- (3) Propeller from the omissions in -ld ---aff--d.
- (4) W.B.A. The Thr---tles. The missing letters reversed.
- (5) Take four letters from Dumbarton for a minute particle.
- (6) — Macari of Manchester United.
- (7) Country placed third in the 1974 World Cup Finals.
- (10) Feye---ord (Holland).
- (11) Sometimes the 'keeper might have to --- the ball away.
- (13) H---burger SV, West German League club.
- (15) Haig —, Southport's ground.
- (16) Steve F---ieston of Sheffield United.
- (18) Shi-ifi---d Park, Berwick Rangers.
- (20) Recr---ion Ground, Chesterfield.
- (22) The soccer pitch must not be ----- than 100 yards.
- (25) Ron ---hman former Norwich City player.
- (26) Gained two points!
- (28) Part of Reading's ground.
- (29) Bronze from St. Andrews, Birmingham City's ground.
- (31) ---tts County from County Ground.
- (32) Billy B---gham of Burnley.

Answers on page 42.

Goalkeeper DAI DAVIES explains why

'Wrexham lost their rhythm'

WREXHAM, last season's pace-setters in Division Three, have found the going harder since their promotion — but the Welsh team's international goalkeeper, Dai Davies, is far from pessimistic about the future.

"We didn't find it easy to settle down earlier on," admits Dai. "Perhaps we were a little apprehensive in our approach to the Second Division. This is something we discussed with our manager, Arfon Griffiths, and after our talks, we felt better about the whole situation."

"In the Third Division, we were an attacking side that scored freely and got goals both at home and away. But this season, our midfield men have been forced to defend more than usual, instead of constantly pushing forward, and because of this haven't always been getting the results we wanted."

"Basically, it all stems to injuries to our full-backs, Mickey Evans and Alan Dwyer. With them out of action, our midfield players have found it necessary to drop back and help out in defence, which means the rhythm of the team has been disturbed."

"And although I don't wish to

make too much of the injury problem, it is a fact Dixie McNeil was bothered with a heel injury and just started to find his way back to form later in September. Plus Bobby Shinton receiving a knock that required stitches, then Graham Whittle being laid up with a cartilage. These three men comprise our attack, so it's easy to see that we've had problems."

"But with a couple of new signings, we would be better able to cope when there are injuries to key players."

In making an assessment of possible promotion candidates in 1978-9, Davies believes it is too early in the season to make firm predictions, though he does rate Newcastle United as a side with potential.

"We drew 0-0 with United at home, and I think their manager, Bill McGarry, is working along the right lines. Newcastle will be there or thereabouts when the promotion issue is settled, and if Wrexham show the improvement I hope for, we can be up there too. Leicester, who were relegated along with Newcastle, struck me as a team with a lot of work ahead of them if they are to improve, while Brighton failed to impress

me at Wrexham."

"Stoke City and Crystal Palace have possibilities, though there is a long way to go yet, while I prefer to reserve judgment on West Ham."

During Wrexham's settling-in period in Division Two, Dai is convinced the club has learned from travelling abroad, in European competition.

He says: "We met Rijeki away, in September, and playing against them reinforced my opinion of the Continental style. The teams over there build up slowly from defence, then are ready to flash

forward, using fast wingers. It was a disappointment to go out of the competition 3-2 on aggregate."

And in his matches for Wales, in Britain and in Europe, Davies is satisfied with the image his country has created in recent seasons.

"Mike Smith has done so much to make us respected at international level, but we will always be attempting to do better."

But for Dai Davies, the immediate pressing concern is for Wrexham to cope with the adjustment to Division Two.

"That is my chief priority," says determined Dai.



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MILAN CLUBS BOOSTED

THE recent transfer market in Italy has given a big boost to the two Milan clubs AC and Inter, for the current season. They should be able to challenge the power of the Juventus and Turin domination that has influenced Italian soccer in the past seven years.

As for Inter, they seem to have found a very talented midfielder in 22-year-old Evaristo Becalossi. In the warm-up matches Becalossi has shown a real talent and as he wears the number 10 shirt, all Inter fans are hoping to have found a new Suarez, the great Spaniard who drove Inter to two European Cups in the '60's.

The other Milan club, AC, bought Walter Novellino to play in an advanced position in midfield and a young striker, Chiodi, from

Bologna. Just like Inter, AC have gone well in the first friendlies of the season, their best performance being a 4-2 victory against Juventus.

Juventus themselves, have an unchanged side from last season; this because they withdrew from the transfer market in protest of the "super valuation" of Paolo Rossi. Anyway, they seem to have finally found the enigmatic Paolo Virdis in a very good form, and this will help them to replace the ageing Boninsegna.

Torino have made two major buys in Onofri from Genoa, a defender and Iorio from Foggia, a striker. Onofri replaces the old and transferred Caporale; Iorio is a very good stand-in for either Graziani or Pulici.

A.C. Milan after their 1969 European Cup victory.



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Figures at the closing of the Italian transfer Market.

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Perugia	Castagner	850.000 +
Roma	Giagnoni	570.000 -
Torino	Radice	53.000 +
Verona	Mascalaito (new)	300.000 -

THINGS CAN ONLY GET BETTER

CHILEAN club Rangers of Talca are in a bad way... a very bad way. They were beaten 14-1 by Everton in Vina del Mar; the club's president is in jail for buying players with cheques that subsequently bounced; the club's treasurer is on the run from the law (reasons are confused!); the players and training staff are on strike because they haven't been paid. Therefore, the club was forced to field the youth side... hence the 14-1 defeat.

LEGS XI

A BRAZILIAN T.V. reporter asked Pelé why 42 per cent of the people who attend U.S. soccer games are women (that's what a survey said). Pelé replied: "It is because women find footballers very sexy. Unlike in other popular American sports, the soccer player wears only shorts and a T-shirt. No helmet, long trousers or protection..." STILL in Brazil and I'm assured this is true... Brazilian player Jorge Zeninho has a clause in his contract which stipulates he wears a safety-belt IN BED! He is also banned from watching thriller movies! Apparently he relives every moment too vividly

130 m.p.h. to a red card!

BOCA Juniors defender Vicente Pernia (remember he was sent-off with Willie Johnston in that 1977 Argentina-Scotland "friendly" game?) has been in trouble again — this time with his club. The ex-blacksmith has always been mad about motor-racing, and a few weeks ago he actually skipped a League match to make his debut behind the wheel.

Boca were definitely not amused and told Pernia that 20 per cent would be docked from his wages every week until he gave up the "dangerous hobby".

Pernia reluctantly agreed, but added: "It's not dangerous really. I mean we're all good drivers and we're all going in the same direction at about 120 mph. But in my own car, when the mood takes me, I do over 130 mph on a normal road with cars coming the other way and with all sorts of fools driving them!"

I hope I'm never around when Pernia has one of his moods! Incidentally, he didn't lose his touch during his absence from the team. In the following match against Huracán he was sent-off after 30 minutes!

***** which stipulates he wears a safety-belt IN BED! He is also banned from watching thriller movies! Apparently he relives every moment too vividly when he's asleep!

BUSY HELLSTRÖM

SWEDEN often have problems as many of their top players play abroad. Like goalkeeper Ronnie Hellström, for instance, rated by many as the top number one in the world.

There was a hitch when Sweden wanted Hellström to play against France in the European Championship tie in Paris... the game was on a Friday evening and 1. FC Kaiserslautern, Ronnie's West German club, wanted him for their Bundesliga game the next day.

A compromise was reached: after the game in Paris, Hellström took a cab (!) from Paris to Kaiserslautern!

None of this seemed to affect Ronnie, who was the man of the match in Paris, where Sweden had a good result (2-2)

and then helped his club to a similar result against Darmstadt 98 the following afternoon.



Hellström in action in Paris.

NEWS FLASHES

Former West Ham defender Keith Coleman was sent-off during his second League game for Belgian side KV Mechelen.

When Borussia Mönchengladbach drew 0-0 with Schalke 04 recently, it was the first time they'd failed to score at home since April, 1977.

Polish club Widzew Lodz have had their ground closed for five games following fan trouble. A spectator threw a bottle which hit the referee on the head.

PSV and Holland midfielder Willie van der Kerkhof recently earned £420 by having his photo taken. The Dutch star had a picture session at which fans could be photographed with him... for a fee, of course.

After beating Czechoslovakia 2-1, East Germany's full record since they began playing in 1950 is: played 176, won 83, drawn 45, lost 48.

Paul Breitner, back with Bayern Munich, has started his own 30 minute TV programme on ARD channel number 1 in West Germany: "Paul Breitner's football magazine".

When Bayern Munich beat Arminia Bielefeld in September, it was their first away victory in the Bundesliga since 27th November, 1976... almost two years!

WHERE'S BORO?

OUR Argentinian correspondent has asked me if someone has moved Middlesbrough since he's been away! The Argentinian Press, talking about Boro's interest in Huracán right-winger René Houseman, said that Middlesbrough is "a town 35km (22 miles) outside London"!

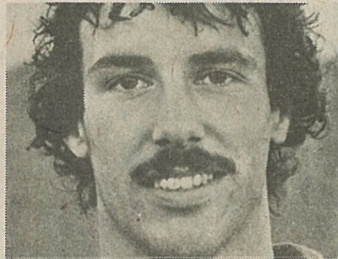
DUBIOUS RECORD

REAL SOCIEDAD midfielder José Diego must have set some sort of record when he was sent-off during a League match in Burgos four minutes after he'd been substituted! In the 74th minute, manager Ormaechea pulled Diego off and

sat him on the substitute's bench. Then the referee took exception to the comments he was making and showed him the red card!

URUGUAYAN international midfielder Montero Castillo has been arrested and jailed after making "obscene gestures" to the crowd when his team, Nacional, had amazingly been beaten 3-2 by humble Santa Bernadina.

FOOTBALL FUNNIES



This week Wimbledon's ALAN CORK selects the jokes specially drawn by our cartoonist Styx.

"There's confidence for you — celebrating a win before they've kicked-off"



"I'm booking you for retaliating before you were fouled"



"We're six down at half-time — half the team have asked for transfers — the fans are demanding their money back — and my wife phones to tell me not to forget to take home a loaf of bread"



"That's old Charlie — stood on that spot for 80 years waiting for this lot to win something"

I CAN'T say I was shocked by Ally MacLeod's resignation. I had the impression something was on the cards and although there was no direct hint while we were in Vienna to play Austria, things were obviously getting on top of him. When his old Ayr United job became available, it was the ideal opportunity for the man to get out . . . and he obviously didn't need much persuading.

Perhaps in some ways he was lucky to stay on after the World Cup Finals, where more went wrong for Scotland than right. Many people were surprised Ally survived Argentina to carry on with his job and I'll be honest and say my own view at the time was Jock Stein would be the ideal manager for Scotland to "pick up the pieces".

He was available then, having stepped down from his Celtic job.

bounced back and nearly made it.

Austria weren't *that* good and I can't see them posing too many problems at Hampden Park in a year's time.

My partnership with Joe Jordan up-front was called a flop, but I can't agree. It was hardly the ideal game to make judgments on such a pairing . . . strikers playing away from home rarely have the chance to really show what they can do.

I still believe big Joe and I could work together, given a bit of time, although having said that, from my point of view, certainly, I like a

'Ally's resignation no shock'

I'm sure he would have taken it . . . a post he should have held a long time ago, in my view. The Big Man had a spell as part-time international manager, but as the person who has done more for Scottish soccer than any other boss, Mr. Stein had the right qualifications to lead his country.

Anyway, the last words Ally MacLeod said to me after the Austria game were: "I hope to see you next month, Andy," meaning I'd have been in his squad for the Norway game at Hampden. Naturally, I'm still hopeful of being in the Scotland squad for that match, but the new manager will obviously have his own ideas.

Having made an international comeback after two years, my aim is to become a permanent fixture in the Scotland team and help my country to the European Championship Finals and then the 1982 World Cup Finals.

I don't go along with the pessimists who say we've already blown our European Championship chances. We've only played one game, and that away from home, so it's far too early to write anyone off.

Okay, so we had a poor result in Austria, but the two goals we pulled back, from 0-3 to 2-3, could be vital at the end in a group that may just be decided on goal-difference.

Scotland's performance wasn't very good, even though we came back well. The most important factor was the result . . . and we lost. We gave away two bad goals in the first-half, although at half-time we were still confident we could salvage something.

It had taken us a long time to settle down; I can't remember when I was so nervous before a game . . . probably the 1977 League Cup Final.

The "killer" goal was Austria's third, scored just after half-time. That made our task almost impossible, although to our credit we

winger to play.

Arthur Graham came on as sub and made his presence felt quickly; tactics are up to the manager, of course, but there's surely no doubting a top-class winger is a constant source of danger.

I was reasonably pleased with my first international since being sent-off in Czechoslovakia in 1976. The fact I scored a goal gave me tremendous satisfaction and in that respect, as a striker, I can say I did my job.

The mood of the squad in Vienna was one of determination and quiet confidence. The World Cup was hardly mentioned . . . well, what is there that hasn't already been said?

I roomed with Martin Buchan and while we obviously spoke about the events in Argentina, there's no

point in me going into detail again now.

We were all bitterly disappointed to lose. We wanted so much to come home with a "result" to show we're on the way back, but perhaps it's worth pointing out my previous international was our first World Cup qualifier, in Czechoslovakia,

which we also lost. However, that defeat didn't prevent Scotland from reaching the World Cup Finals, so there is no cause for despondency now with regard to the European Championship.

Group Two will surely be one of the tightest, especially after Belgium's 1-1 home draw against Norway. This proved no game in the group can be regarded as easy and we'll be treating the Norwegians with the utmost respect when they visit Hampden on 25th October. I shan't be writing in SHOOT to preview that game, in next week's issue. Suffice to say my fingers are

crossed I'm in the squad and we can get off to a winning start in our home campaign.

My immediate ambition is to score against Manchester United at Villa Park this Saturday (14th October). As far as I can remember, they haven't beaten us at home since I joined Villa and my name has been on the scoresheet a couple of times.

I'll no doubt be up against my Scotland and SHOOT team-mate Gordon McQueen, who had a first-class game in Vienna. His goal, a diving header, was one of the bravest I've seen in a long time.

Still, there's no chance of Gordon scoring a similar goal on Saturday . . . because I'll be marking him at corners! I have a "secret recipe" for stopping Gordon — he knows what it is, and I'm saying no more! Gordon did manage to score against us as a Leeds player in a 1-1 draw at Elland Road, but it wasn't from a corner.

Despite their indifferent form, United are still a magic name. Their vast support will always make them special and a bumper gate at Villa Park is virtually guaranteed.

Since Gordon and Joe Jordan joined them, United appear to be using the high ball more often, trying to take advantage of the pair's dominance in the air. Before, for example, free-kicks used to be played to the near post for someone like Lou Macari to touch on, but now The Reds prefer far post centres for the big men.

Join me again in a fortnight.

BELOW . . . "Big Joe Jordan shows his danger in the air."



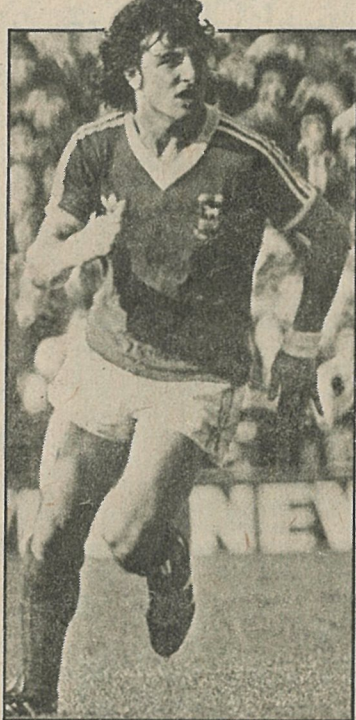
ABOVE . . . "I was very nervous before the game in Vienna."
LEFT . . . "Leeds' Arthur Graham came on as sub."



Paul Greaf

'I never really wanted to leave IPSWICH'

says Brian Talbot



BRIAN TALBOT is delighted he's settled his differences with Ipswich and has now decided his future is at Portman Road.

The England midfielder player, who was linked with Arsenal at one point, says: "I never really

wanted to leave the area but football is such a short career you have to go wherever is best to further your ambitions.

"I felt for a while a change might have been good for me, but there aren't many places I would have gone to. Ipswich is a happy little club. I get on well with everyone and it would take something special to drag me away.

"But when a club like Arsenal are supposedly interested, you have to sit up and take notice. To me, there are two glamour clubs in England — Arsenal and Manchester United."

Ipswich, however, were determined to hold on to their 25-year-old star, and manager Bobby Robson made it clear he expected him to fulfil all three years of his contract.

"He offered me new terms, but at first I didn't accept. Then I decided I wanted to stay with the club. I'm really happy I made that decision.

"We are a good side, as we proved in last season's Cup Final, and I get on great with all the lads. Having this business hanging over me hasn't helped me to hit top form and I began to feel the pressures building up.

"You don't think those things are going to affect you too much, but they do get to you in the end and I think my form suffered, too. Thankfully, that's all behind me now."

Talbot, who has made over 150 appearances for his club, is of course, one of the key figures in their side. Since the arrival of Arnold Muhren from Holland, Talbot has switched to a central midfield role and he thinks the general shake up of positions is partly the reason for Ipswich's disappointing start to the season.

"The whole midfield has changed. I'm playing in the centre and deeper, which I prefer, John Wark is playing on the right, which is the position Roger Osborne was playing in last season, and Arnold's come in on the left.

"People say good players should be able to fit in straight away with a new team but it's bound to take time. Even Kevin Keegan needed a while to fit in at Hamburg.

'More running'

"Arnold still has a language problem and I think he has to adjust to the fact there's more running in British football.

"But once he sorts that out, and all the team adjust to the new system as well, we could do well."

Talbot is really hoping they can do themselves full justice in Europe this season. In last season's U.E.F.A. Cup, they lost a 3-0 first-leg lead to Barcelona and a few seasons ago, they let a similar advantage slip against Bruges.

Now he's hoping they can prove their ability to play the European

game in the Cup-Winners' Cup. "We learned something from losing those three-goal advantages. We felt with such a lead, we could go away and play football. But next time, we'd go away and shut up shop. You couldn't imagine Liverpool losing a three-goal lead could you?"

"European football is always exciting, for the players and the fans, and the players particularly like it because it's night football. Most seem to prefer that.

"Strangely enough, we have shown our best form so far in Europe in the two games with AZ Alkmaar. I was delighted we got through."

Talbot is also hoping to get some more experience in Europe and other parts of the world with the England team. "I sincerely hope I regain my place in the team. All I can do is do my best and prove I'm good enough.

"I thought I had a good summer tour with the England B squad and I also learned a great deal from that.

"The trouble at the moment is there are a lot of good players chasing each position, like Trevor Francis and Kevin Keegan up-front. Trevor Brooking and Ray Wilkins are the men in my place. Both are very good players but neither is an aggressive midfielder player like me."

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COVENTRY CITY

PIONEERS OF MANY MODERN IDEAS

TWO-wheeled cycles and football seem strange bed-fellows, but Coventry City owe their start in life to a group of workers employed by the Singer factory who made bikes.

Thus in 1883, Singer F.C. was formed and in 1908 was re-named Coventry City Football Club. In that year, the club were admitted into the Southern League.

Coventry began their League career in the first season after World War One. Not that it looked a good idea! They lost their opening League fixture 5-0 to Tottenham at Highfield Road. The months went by and Coventry still awaited their first-ever League victory.

Christmas is a time of goodwill to all men, and Stoke City provided the best present of all when Coventry beat them 3-2 at Highfield Road on Christmas morning, 1919. Strange as it may sound, City still managed to finish third from the bottom of Division Two, despite their terrible start.

Coventry were luckier still in the following season (1920-21). Although the Third Division (South) was started, only the Champions, Crystal Palace, were promoted and Coventry had finished in 21st position!

From then on it was a struggle. Positions of 20th, 18th and 19th were followed almost inevitably by relegation in 1924-25 to the Third (North).

One of the strange features of the Old Third South and North Divisions was the part geography played in the structure of the two sections.

Although Coventry finished 14th in their first season in the Third (North) in 1925-26, they found themselves in the Third (South) for the following term.

The reason being Stoke City and Stockport County had been relegated from the Second Division in 1926-27, and as Coventry were the club farthest South in the (North) Section, they were switched. Who said the Irish were the only people who could devise such a system?

The Third (South) was to be the home of Coventry for the next ten seasons. But in 1931, Harry Storer took over as manager of the club. Derbyshire-born Harry was a man who stood no nonsense, and was respected in the game.

In the 1935-36 season Coventry won the Third (South) Champion-

ship with centre-forward Bourton hitting 22 goals, McNestry 20, Fittion 12 and Lauderdale 11 out of a total of 102 League goals.

Clarrie Bourton still holds both of Coventry's goalscoring records. In 1931-32 he scored 49 in the Third (South) and altogether he scored 171 League goals between 1931 and 1937.

Coventry, with George Mason (below) one of their stars, finished 8th, 4th and 4th again before World War Two stopped football. City fans still claim the War put back promotion to Division One by 25 years, so promising was that pre-War team.

When League soccer restarted again, Storer had moved on to Birmingham City and at the end of the 1951-52 season, City were relegated back to the Third (South).

Even then City struggled, and in 1958-59 they became founder members of the Fourth Division. However, it was a brief stay, as after just one season they finished runners-up to Port Vale and were promoted to the Third Division under manager Billy Frith.

It was Frith's second spell at the club and to show how unsettled City had been, Frith was the sixth manager since he himself had taken over from Harry Storer.

But a new messiah, complete with beard, was on his way. A 3-0 League Cup defeat at Workington in 1961 was the turning point for Coventry. Although even worse was to follow when Southern League King's Lynn won 2-1 in the Second Round of the F.A. Cup at

Highfield Road.

Chairman Derrick Robins decided on action and Jimmy Hill (right) was signed as manager. It was the start of a partnership that was to make City the talking point whenever football people met.

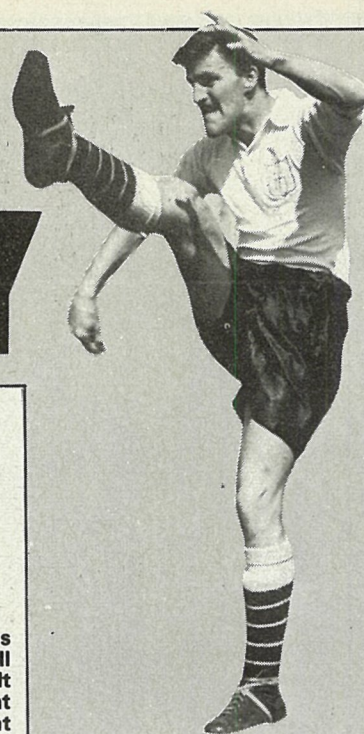
Off-field facilities encouraged the fans to come to Highfield Road. A club restaurant, a special train, a Sky Blue radio station. City were also the first club to introduce close circuit T.V. in 1965 when a large crowd watched Coventry play Cardiff at Ninian Park on huge screens erected at Highfield Road.

On the field, promotion to Division Two was achieved in 1963-64 when Coventry finished Champions of the Third Division. Tenth in their first season back in the Second, was followed by being third and then Champions of the Second Division in 1966-67.

Success at reaching the First Division was followed by the shock news Jimmy Hill had resigned to go into television.

Noel Cantwell took over as manager and City survived in 20th position in their first two seasons in Division One. But that was followed by a position of sixth and tenth.

Manager Gordon Milne arrived in June, 1972, and although City had the closest encounter with relegation in 1976-77, last season saw them only just miss a place in Europe.



LEAGUE FIXTURES

Date	Opponents	Result	Venue
Aug			
19	Middlesbro'	2-1	A
22	Nottm. For.	0-0	H
26	Norwich C.	4-1	H
Sept			
2	Derby Co.	2-0	A
9	Chelsea	3-2	H
16	Liverpool	0-1	A
23	Leeds U	0-0	H
30	Tottenham H.	1-1	A
Oct			
7	Ipswich T.		H
14	Man. City		A
21	W.B.A.		A
28	Birmingham		H
Nov			
4	Bolton W.		A
11	Middlesbro'		H
18	Norwich C.		A
21	Derby Co.		H
25	Arsenal		H
Dec			
2	Aston Villa		A
9	Q.P.R.		H
16	Southampton		A
23	Everton		H
26	Bristol C.		A
30	Wolves		A
Jan			
1	Man. Utd.		H
13	Chelsea		A
20	Liverpool		H
Feb			
3	Leeds U.		A
10	Tottenham H.		H
17	Ipswich T.		A
24	Man. City		H
Mar			
3	W.B.A.		H
10	Birmingham C.		A
17	Bolton W.		H
24	Nottm. For.		A
31	Arsenal		A
Apr			
7	Aston Villa		H
10	Everton		A
14	Bristol C.		H
16	Man. Utd.		A
21	Southampton		H
28	Q.P.R.		A
May			
5	Wolves		H

TOP LEAGUE SCORERS

1973-74	Brian Alderson	9
1974-75	David Cross and Alan Green	7
1975-76	David Cross	14
1976-77	Mick Ferguson	13
1977-78	Ian Wallace	20

COVENTRY ROLL OF HONOUR

Second Division Championship: 1966-67
Third Division Championship: 1963-64
Third Division (South) Championship: 1935-36



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COVENT



BACK ROW (left to right): Graham Oakey, Brian Roberts, Les Sealey, Mick Coop, Jim Blyth, Ray Gooding, Barry Powell.

CENTRE ROW: Garry Thorn, Osgood, Mick Ferguson, J.

RY CITY



Donato Nardiello, Keith
Holt, Tommy Hutchison.

FRONT ROW: Alan Green, Bobby McDonald, Gordon Milne
(manager), Ron Wylie (assistant-manager), Terry Yorath,
Ien Wallace, John Beck.

SHOOT!

CLUB SPOTLIGHT CONTINUED PEN PICTURES

(L. App:— League Appearances; G:— Goals; S:— Substitutes; All records to end of the 1977-78 season.)

JOHN BECK: Midfielder signed from Q.P.R. for £40,000 in June, 1976. Born London. Ht. 5.10½. Wt. 11.9. L. App:— Q.P.R. 32 and 8 sub, Coventry 55 and 8 sub. G:— Q.P.R. 1, Coventry 5.

JIM BLYTH: Goalkeeper who was in the Scottish squad that went to Argentina for the 1978 World Cup Finals. Two full caps and has been 'Player of the Year' for the past two seasons at Highfield Road. Signed from Preston North End for £22,000 in October, 1972. Born Perth. Ht. 6.1½. Wt. 13.3. L. App:— Preston 1, Hereford (loan) 7, Coventry 90.



MICK COOP: Defender and longest serving player on the Coventry staff. Mick (above) likes to go forward with the ball from defence. Signed professional in January, 1966. Born Leamington. Ht. 5.11. Wt. 11.5½. L. App:— 318 and 12 sub. G:— 17.

MICK FERGUSON: Striker signed professional in December, 1971 and now forms the City main strike force with Ian Wallace. Born Newcastle. Ht. 6.1¼. Wt. 12.8½. L. App:— 85 and 4 sub. G:— 35.

GARY GILLESPIE: Central defender signed from Falkirk for £40,000 in March, 1978 and has already impressed in the First Division. Born Bonnybridge. Ht. 6.2. Wt. 12.1. L. App:— Falkirk 22.

RAY GOODING: Young midfielder signed professional in May, 1976. League debut against Newcastle on March 23rd, 1977. Born Hartlepool. Ht. 5.8. Wt. 11.4½. L. App:— 10. G:— 1.

ALAN GREEN: Striker and the talk of many transfer bids this season. Signed professional in January, 1971. Born Worcester. Ht. 5.5½. Wt. 10.6. L. App:— 92 and 14 sub. G:— 29.

JIM HOLTON: Central defender signed from Sunderland in March, 1977 for an £80,000 transfer fee. Played in the 1974 World Cup Finals side for Scotland and has won 15 full caps. Born Lesmahagow. Ht. 6.1½. Wt. 13.7. L. App:— Shrewsbury 67, Man. Utd. 63, Sunderland 15, Coventry 33. G:— Shrewsbury 4, Man. Utd. 5.



STEVE HUNT: Striker signed from Cosmos of New York in August, 1978. Hunt (above) made a great League debut for Coventry by scoring at Derby County in a 2-0 win on September 2nd. Began career with Aston Villa and went to America in February, 1977. Born Birmingham. Ht. 5.7. Wt. 10.11. L. App:— Aston Villa 4 and 3 sub. G:— Aston Villa 1.

TOMMY HUTCHISON: Skilful winger or midfielder with brilliant ball control. Signed from Blackpool for £145,000 in October, 1972. Played in the 1974 World Cup Finals in West Germany for Scotland and has won 17 full caps. Born Cardenden. Ht. 5.11½. Wt. 11.2. L. App:— Alloa 68, Blackpool 164 and 2 sub, Coventry 226 and 2 sub. G:— Alloa 4, Blackpool 10, Coventry 16.

BOBBY McDONALD: Defender who was signed from Aston Villa for £40,000 in August, 1976. Since signing has now completed 100 consecutive first team games for City. Born Aberdeen. Ht. 5.9. Wt. 11.5½. L. App:— Aston Villa 33 and 6 sub, Coventry 81. G:— Aston Villa 3, Coventry 6.

DON NARDIELLO: Fast tricky winger who shot to fame in the 1977-78 season by winning a full cap for Wales after only a handful of League games. Born Cardigan-

shire. Ht. 5.10. Wt. 10.11. L. App:— 12 and 1 sub. G:— 1.

GRAHAM OAKEY: Determined defender signed professional in October, 1972. Born Worcester. Ht. 5.7. Wt. 9.10. L. App:— 87 and 1 sub.

KEITH OSGOOD: Versatile defender who cost Coventry £130,000 when signed from Tottenham in January, 1978. Born London. Ht. 5.11. Wt. 11.2. L. App:— Tottenham 112 and 1 sub, Coventry 13 and 1 sub. G:— Tottenham 13, Coventry 1.

BARRY POWELL (below): Attacking midfielder signed from Wolves in August, 1975 for £75,000. England Under-23 player and ever-present with McDonald for Coventry last season. Born Kenilworth. Ht. 5.7½. Wt. 10.0. L. App:— Wolves 58 and 6 sub, Coventry 114 and 2 sub. G:— Wolves 7, Coventry 15.



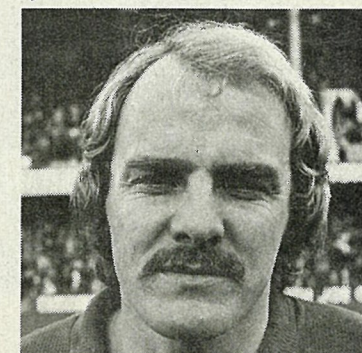
BRIAN ROBERTS: Versatile player who plays in defence, but can also operate well in midfield. Signed professional in May, 1975 and League debut followed at Tottenham on Easter Monday, 1976. Born Manchester. Ht. 5.8½. Wt. 11.3½. L. App:— 40.

LES SEALEY: Reserve 'keeper to Jim Blyth, but has performed brilliantly when called upon by the first team. A product of the City youth system. Born London. Ht. 6.1. Wt. 11.6½. L. App:— 13.



IAN WALLACE (above): Top scorer with Coventry last season. Signed from Dumbarton for £80,000 in August, 1976. Scottish Under-21 cap and scored on his debut for Scotland as substitute for the full side v Bulgaria on February 22nd, 1978 in a 2-1 Scottish victory. Born Glasgow. Ht. 5.7½. Wt. 10.9. L. App:— Dumbarton 32 and 2 sub, Coventry 65 and 2 sub. G:— Dumbarton 11, Coventry 29.

TERRY YORATH (below): Midfielder and captains both Coventry City and Wales. Hard working player who was signed from Leeds United for £135,000 in August, 1976. 33 full caps for his country. Born Cardiff. Ht. 5.10½. Wt. 12.3. L. App:— Leeds 110 and 23 sub, Coventry 78. G:— Leeds 10, Coventry 3.



FULL OF ENTERTAINING SKILLS

AS OUR history of the Coventry club shows, it was not that many years ago when they were the poor relation of the Midland clubs. Alongside Aston Villa, Birmingham City, West Bromwich Albion and Wolverhampton Wanderers, Coventry looked decidedly second-class.

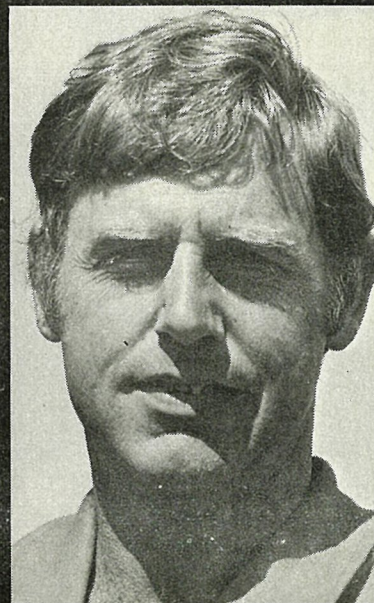
Not now though. The dynamo that blazed so fiercely under Jimmy Hill as manager has been recharged. A visitor to Highfield Road to see The Sky Blues in action will be rewarded with an afternoon or evening of the best to be seen in skill and attacking football.

Yet, look through the playing staff and not many household names leap out at you. Terry Yorath is skipper of City and also of Wales. Tommy Hutchison, that leggy juggler on the left flank, propelled Scotland to the 1974 World Cup Finals with a classic

display of the wing arts v. Czechoslovakia at Hampden Park in 1973. Also in that Scottish side was "eyes of blue" Jim Holton. All three play their part in the success story of Coventry City.

It is the mixture rather than the individual that manager Gordon Milne (right) used to create — such an entertaining team. It is no coincidence either Milne can now concentrate on the playing side of the club. It is because "J.W.T.H." or Jimmy Hill is back at the club. First he was manager, now he has returned as managing director of the club and led the streamlining of the financial affairs.

Love him or hate him, Jimmy Hill has earned the Freedom of the City of Coventry. Whether he would parade on a white charger, like Lady Godiva, if so honoured, would be worth the admission fee just to find out.



'Rangers can now win the European Cup!'

Tartan Talk **DEREK JOHNSTONE**

BRING on PSV Eindhoven! That was the cry that rang round the Ibrox dressing-room as soon as we heard we had drawn the Dutch Champions in the next round of the European Cup.

On Wednesday (October 18th) we meet the Dutch masters at Ibrox in the first-leg of our tie and I warn them we are looking for a two or three goal lead to take to Holland for the return on November 1st.

Manager John Greig, who plotted the downfall of Italian Champions Juventus in the previous round, has already watched PSV and he has warned us all about what to expect.

We know all about the goal-scoring exploits of their number one danger-man Willy van der Kuylen. This is the player who ran amok against Fenebahce, of Turkey in the First Round. The Dutch were trailing 2-1 when van der Kuylen scored four goals to help his club to a 6-1 victory in the second-leg. Obviously we are determined to make sure there will be no repeat performance against us.

We also know all about the roving roles that are given to two World Cup stars Erny Brandts and Jan Poorvliet. Apparently though the club will be without Rene van der Kerkhof,



Johnstone outjumps Morini of Juventus to head over the bar during Rangers' European Cup tie.



another player who made an impact in Argentina.

However, I believe his brother Willy will be facing us. Another star who may be out though is goalkeeper Jan van Beveren, who is injured. We are told, however, his deputy is a very capable goalkeeper.

I think we proved against Juventus we are a team who can go on and win the trophy. I mean that sincerely.

Let's face it, Juventus, with nine World Cup men in their team, were one of the red-hot favourites to win the European Cup this term. I believe we were rated at 25-1 to win the Cup before our game against the Italians, but now we are ranked something like 8-1. Get your money on now!

Obviously, these ties against the Dutch will be extremely tough, but that is the way we like it. In fact, I can tell you if we had not drawn PSV we were looking for a club such as Real Madrid or Nottingham Forest, who, of course, knocked out the holders Liverpool.

The big time atmosphere always brings out the best in Rangers and

PSV can't be looking forward to that game on Wednesday. This could be a bit of a revenge mission for us because we were knocked out of Europe last season by a Dutch club, Twente Enschede, who beat us 3-0 on aggregate.

We will be playing it patiently against the Dutch. In the past we have been knocked out of Europe because we have been far too adventurous in attack. We have learned our lessons and we won't make the same mistake again.

Anyway, wish us luck on Wednesday and, remember, it's Rangers for the European Cup!

Derek Johnstone

**TARTAN TALK FROM
CELTIC'S DANNY
McGRAIN NEXT WEEK**

IN NEXT WEEK'S SHOOT

EUROPEAN
CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES —

Republic of Ireland v England
Northern Ireland v Denmark
Scotland v Norway
Wales v Malta



Kevin Keegan
(England)

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Now the Home Office has given their go-ahead, Alberto Tarantini has become a Birmingham City player. The left-back, who excited us with his attacking qualities during the World Cup, will follow in the footsteps of fellow Argentines Ricardo Villa, Osvaldo Ardiles and Alejandro Sabella. 1978 has certainly been an eventful year for the likeable defender and here SHOOT traces . . .



The amazing story behind TARANTINI'S TRANSFER

HE'S still only 22, but the few months since he helped Argentina lift the World Cup in triumph have put years on tough-tackling Boca Juniors and Birmingham City defender Alberto Tarantini. In fact, the story is so complicated we'd better trace it back to its beginning in 1976, when Tarantini couldn't agree terms with Boca.

After months of haggling, both sides agreed not to sign a firm contract, but to pay Tarantini a fee for every match played. This arrangement suited the young defender down to the ground, because it allowed him to continually up-date his fee to keep pace with Argentina's raging inflation.

What's more, in 1977 Boca became Champions of South America by winning the Copa Libertadores, and Tarantini was pocketing as much as £500 a game for the important ones — very big money by Argentinian standards.

But, according to Argentinian regulations, any player who remains a whole year without a fixed contract automatically becomes "free". So at the end of last year Tarantini found himself without a club, and Boca simply couldn't afford to keep him on at £500 a game.

And, no other club would sign him because everyone realised he would have to spend five months "concentrated" with Menotti's World Cup squad, and would, therefore, not be available for League matches.

Finally, the Argentine F.A. had no alternative but to pay Tarantini's wages themselves because he had no other source of income!

Once the World Cup was over, Tarantini rubbed his hands with glee. Argentina's victory had given him an international reputation, and he was free to negotiate his own transfer. He had agreed to pay his ex-club Boca Juniors 45 per cent of any transfer fee, but the rest was purely for Alberto Tarantini — if he could find a club willing to sign him. And this is where his incredible, nerve-racking Odyssey began.

Tarantini's first stop was Madrid, where both Real and Atlético turned him down because they already had their maximum number of foreign players. Real Zaragoza were much more interested, but after a couple of weeks of negotiations they decided they couldn't afford him.

Next stop was Barcelona, where the club was definitely interested

and manager Lucien Muller gave the green light to his signing.

But there was a Big Problem. Barcelona, like the Madrid teams, already had their quota of two

tini's "marriage". After all, news from Argentina continued to talk about his much-publicised romance with actress Pata Villanueva. What's more, in a T.V.

order, and were sent to Madrid.

Tarantini's new wife soon clarified the reasons for the hurried marriage: "I'm marrying him to do a favour to José Maria Minguela, the man who arranged his transfer to Barcelona. Perhaps now we're married we'll get a chance to get to know each other a bit better, but I think we'll be divorced as soon as he's got his Spanish nationality."

Understandably, this didn't go down too well with the Spanish authorities, and his application promptly "disappeared" under mounds of Madrid bureaucracy. The Spanish League started, and his permission to play for Barcelona still hadn't come through. Tarantini flew off to New York to play for the Rest of the World team against the Cosmos, and spent a few days with Pata Villanueva.

While he was in New York, he had the first "feeler" from England. The contracts signed by Ardiles and Villa had opened up a new market for Argentinian players, and he was promised a more lucrative contract.

Johnny Rep said "Cooorrrrr!" when he saw Tarantini's girlfriend and then went on to warn him the cost of living is high in Barcelona, and he might be better off in the U.K.

Tarantini returned to his wife in Barcelona, and wasted no time in asking the club what had happened to his nationalisation papers.

"You tell us," replied Barcelona president Josep Lluís Nuñez. "If they're not here by September 30th we'll tear up your contract. We can't wait longer than that."

"Neither can I," said Tarantini. "I need to play football and earn some money."

Days later, the Argentinian was asked by an intermediary to travel to England to see "the directors of an English club," and the rest you already know.

If the fee of £250,000 is correct, that means Tarantini must pay Boca Juniors £112,500. The intermediary who arranged the transfer will receive £25,000 for his pains; and that leaves a healthy £112,500 for Tarantini himself.

Not bad for a 22-year-old after a long and unbelievable summer of travels and intrigue. Now the cloud still hanging over Tarantini is his hasty — and useless — marriage, which could easily turn out to be a marriage of inconvenience . . .



Tarantini (number 20) in action for Argentina v. Hungary in the 1978 World Cup Finals.

foreign players (Neeskens and Krankl). Tarantini said that was no problem — he was going to marry a Spanish girl, and that way he would qualify immediately for Spanish nationality. The club promptly signed him for one year with a £50,000 basic signing-on fee, and Tarantini began training with the Barcelona squad.

After a few days, people began to have suspicions about Taran-

interview Tarantini announced his Spanish fiancée was a girl called Beatriz.

Two days later he told reporters her name was Maria Dolores!

Finally, a Barcelona judge called in Tarantini to try and clear up the muddle over his nationalisation papers, and verified he was, in fact, married to a 26-year-old Spanish girl named Maria Eugenia Ustaroz. The papers seemed to be in

RESULTS . . . SCORERS . . . TEAM LINE-UPS

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 13

U.E.F.A. CUP (First-Round first-leg)

GALATASARAY (0) 1 (Fatih pen.)
W.B.A. (1) 3 (Robson, Regis, Cunningham)
 10,000
 Galatasaray: Eser, Mufit, Erdogan, Gungor, Fatih, Mehmet, Onur, Ali, Cuneit, Gokmen, Tuncay.
 W.B.A.: Godden; Batson, Statham, Cunningham, Wile, Robertson, Robson, Brown (A), Regis, Treweek, Cantello.

HIBS (1) 3 (Higgins 2, Temperley)
NORRKOPING (0) 2 (Ohlsson, Andersson)
 10,000

Hibs: McDonald; Duncan, Smith, Rae, Fleming, McNamara, Murray, McLeod, Higgins, Carroll (Hutchinson), Temperley.
 Norrkoping: Jonsson; Eek, Andersson, Fredriksson, Ohlsson, Bernsten, Eriksson, Lundqvist, Liljedahl, Svensson (Helberg), Larsson.

TWENTE (0) 1 (Thoresen)
MAN. CITY (1) 1 (Watson)
 12,000
 Twente: Pasveer; Van Ierssel, Drost, Overweg, Wildschut, Thijssen, Van der Vall, Otto, Bos (Smard), Gritter, Thoresen.
 Man. C.: Corrigan; Clements, Power, Viljoen, Watson, Futcher (P), Channon, Owen, Palmer, Hartford, Barnes.

THIRD DIVISION

EXETER (0) 0
SHREWSBURY (0) 1 (Maguire)
 3,732
 Exeter: O'Keefe; Templeman, Hore, Randall, Giles, Roberts, Williams, Kellow, Bowker, Delve, Hatch.
 Shrewsbury: Mulhearn; King, Leonard, Turner, Griffin, Hayes, Chapman, Atkins, Lindsay, Biggins, Maguire.

LINCOLN (0) 0
WATFORD (3) 5 (Blissett 2, Garner, Pollard, Jenkins)
 5,924

Lincoln: Grotier; Guest, Leigh, Fleming, Wigginton, Cooper, Hobson, Sunley, Cockerill, Hughes, Burrows.
 Watford: Rankin; Stirk, Pritchett, Booth, Bolton (Ellis), Garner, Pollard, Blissett, Jenkins, Joslyn, Downes.

FOURTH DIVISION

HEREFORD 0
READING 0
 3,526
 Hereford: Hughes; Price, Burrows, Marshall, Layton, Emery, Stephens, Holmes (K), Jones, Gould, Bailey.
 Reading: Death; Peters, White, Bowman, Hicks, Bennett, Earles, Hetzke, Kearns, Sanchez, Lewis.

WIGAN (1) 3 (Wright, Corrigan, Hinnigan)
ROCHDALE (0) 0
 5,746
 Wigan: Brown; Smart, Hinnigan, Gore, Ward, Gillibrand, Corrigan, Wright, Moore (Brownbill), Crompton, Purdie.
 Rochdale: Shyne; Hallows, O'Loughlin, Hart, Scott, Scaife, Owen, Hoy, Hilditch (Ashworth), Price.

ANGLO-SCOTTISH CUP

(Quarter-Finals first-leg)

MORTON (0) 3 (Scott 2, Thomson)
OLDHAM (0) 0
 4,000
 Morton: Connaghan; Hayes, Holmes, Evans, Orr, Rooney, Russell, Miller, Thomson, Scott, Ritchie (McNeill).
 Oldham: McDonnell; Wood, Blair, Bell, Hicks, Hurst, Gardner, Taylor, Young, Chapman, Halom.

PARTICK (0) 1 (Melrose)
MANSFIELD (0) 0
 2,000
 Partick: Rough; McKee, McKinnon, Anderson, McAdam (Marr), Gibson, Houston, Love, Melrose, Somner, McDonald.
 Mansfield: Arnold; Curtis, Wood, Goodwin, Saxby, McClelland, Miller, Martin (Foster, C.), Syrett, Hodgson, Bird.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 14

U.E.F.A. CUP (First-Round second-leg)

GLENTORAN (1) 1 (Caskey W.)
IBV WESTMAN (0) 1 (Oskarsson)
 5,000
 Glentoran: Matthews; Dougan, McFall (R), Porter, Cranston, Moreland, Caskey (J), Jameson, Caskey (W), McFall (Q), O'Neill.
 IBV: Sveinsson (A); Oskarsson, Fropjofsson, Hallgrimsson, Finnbogasson, Sviensson (S), Sigporsson, Valrysson, Porleifsson (Earlingsson), Palsson (Porsteinsson), Baldvinsson.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 15

THIRD DIVISION

COLCHESTER (0) 1 (Foley)
SHREWSBURY (0) 0
 2,788
 Colchester: Walker; Cook, Packer, Sharkey, Wignall, Dowman, Foley, Gough, Dyer, Rowles, Allinson.
 Shrewsbury: Mulhearn; King, Leonard (Cross), Turner, Griffin, Hayes, Chapman, Atkins, Lindsay, Biggins, Maguire.

SOUTHEND (0) 2 (Fell 2)
ROTHERHAM (0) 1 (Gwyther)
 6,527
 Southend: Cawston; Dudley, Yates, Laverick, Cusack (Walker), Hadley, Morris, Pountney, Parker, Polycarpou, Fell.
 Rotherham: McAlister; Forrest, Breckin, Rhodes, Green, Flynn, Finney, Phillips, Gwyther, Crawford, Smith.

FOURTH DIVISION

NORTHAMPTON (0) 1 (Bryant)
SCUNTHORPE (0) 0
 3,858
 Northampton: Jayes; Geidmintis, Walker, Woollett, Robertson, Bryant, Farrington, Williams, Reilly, Froggatt, Christie.
 Scunthorpe: Crawford; O'Donnell, Peacock, Oates, Deere, Czuczman, Grimes, Kilmore (Kavanagh), Wigg, Gibson, Pilling.

STOCKPORT (1) 2 (Lee 2)
YORK (0) 0
 6,103
 Stockport: Rogan; Thorpe, Rutter, Thompson, Prudham, Edwards, Summerbee, Armstrong, Bradd, Loadwick, Lee.
 York: Neenan; Scott, Kay, Stronach, Bainbridge, Clements, Young, Randall, Loggie, McDonald, Stanforth.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 16

FIRST DIVISION

ARSENAL (0) 1 (Stapleton)
BOLTON (0) 0
 31,024
 Arsenal: Jennings; Rice, Nelson, Price, Walford, Young, Brady, Sunderland, Stapleton, Heeley, Rix.
 Bolton: McDonagh; Nicholson, Burke, Greaves, Walsh, Jones (P), Morgan, Whatmore, Gowling, Worthington, Smith.

ASTON VILLA (1) 1 (Craig)
EVERTON (1) 1 (Walsh)
 38,636
 Villa: Rimmer; Evans (D), Gregory, Evans (A), McNaught, Mortimer, Craig, Little, Gray, Cowans, Shelton (Williams).
 Everton: Wood; Darracott, Pejic, Lyons, Wright, Nulty, King, Dobson, Latchford, Walsh, Thomas.

BRISTOL C (1) 3 (Rodgers, Ritchie 2)
SOUTHAMPTON (1) 1 (Holmes)
 21,420
 Bristol C: Shaw; Sweeney, Gillies, Gow, Rodgers, Hunter, Tainton, Ritchie, Royle (Mann), Cormack, Mabbutt.
 Southampton: Wells; Golac, Peach, Williams, Nicholl, Waldron, Ball, Boyer, MacDougall (Hayes), Holmes, Curran.

CHELSEA (0) 1 (Stanley)
MAN. CITY (3) 4 (Channon, Futcher R. 3)
 28,980
 Chelsea: Bonetti; Locke, Harris, Lewington, Hay, Wicks, Swain, Wilkins (R) (Britton), Langley, Stanley, McKenzie.
 Man. C.: Corrigan; Donachie, Power, Viljoen, Watson, Futcher (P), Channon, Owen, Futcher (R), Hartford, Barnes (Henry).



Leeds' Arthur Graham scored United's goal in their 2-1 home defeat by Tottenham.

DERBY (3) 3 (Duncan, Powell, Daly)
W.B.A. (0) 2 (Cunningham, Regis)
 23,697
 Derby: Middleton; Langan, Buckley, Rioch, McFarland, McCaffery, Carter, Daly, Duncan, Powell, Ryan.
 W.B.A.: Godden; Batson, Statham, Treweek, Wile, Robertson, Robson, Brown (A), Regis, Cunningham, Johnston.

LEEDS (0) 1 (Graham)
TOTTENHAM (1) 2 (Taylor, Lee)
 36,062
 Leeds: Harvey; Stevenson, Gray (F), Flynn, Hart, Madeley, Harris, Hankin, Lorimer, Cherry, Graham.
 Tottenham: Daines; McAllister, Gorman, Holmes, Lacy, Perryman, Villa (Armstrong), Ardiles, Lee, Pratt, Taylor.

LIVERPOOL (1) 1 (Souness)
COVENTRY (0) 0
 51,130
 Liverpool: Clemence; Neal, Kennedy (A), Thompson, Kennedy (R), Hughes, Dalglish, Case, Heighway, McDermott, Souness.
 Coventry: Sealey; Roberts, McDonald, Beck, Holton, Gillespie, Hutchison, Wallace, Ferguson, Powell, Hunt.

MAN. UTD (0) 1 (Greenhoff J.)
NOTTM FOREST (1) 1 (Bowyer)
 55,039
 Man. U: Roche; Greenhoff (B), Albiston, McIlroy, McQueen, Buchan, Coppell, Greenhoff (J), Jordan, Macari, McCreery (Grimes).
 Nottm F: Shilton; Anderson, Barrett, McGovern, Lloyd, Burns, Gemmill, Bowyer, Birtles, Woodcock, Robertson.

MIDDLESBROUGH (0) 0
Q.P.R. (1) 2 (Harkouk, Eastoe)
 12,822
 Middlesbrough: Stewart; Craggs, Johnson, Johnston, Boam, Ramage, Proctor (Ashcroft), Cummins, Mills, McAndrew, Armstrong.
 Q.P.R.: Parkes; Shanks, Gillard, Hollins, Howe, Cunningham, Eastoe, Harkouk, Busby (Abbott), Bowles, McGee.

NORWICH (1) 4 (Robson, Ryan pen., Chivers, Reeves)
BIRMINGHAM (0) 0
 16,407
 Norwich: Baker; Bond, Sullivan, Ryan, Hoadley, Powell, Neighbour, Reeves, Chivers, Robson, Peters.
 Birmingham: Freeman; Rathbone, Dennis (Barrowclough), Gallagher, Broadhurst, Ainscow, Towers, Givens, Emmanuel, Fox.

WOLVES (1) 1 (Beattie o.g.)
IPSWICH (2) 3 (Mariner, Muhren, Whymark)
 16,409
 Wolves: Bradshaw; Palmer, Parkin, Daniel (Rafferty), Hazell, McAlle, Patching, Carr, Clarke, Bell, Daley.
 Ipswich: Cooper; Burley, Mills, Talbot, Osman, Beattie, Wark, Muhren, Mariner, Whymark, Woods (Brazil).

SECOND DIVISION

BLACKBURN (1) 1 (Radford)
LEICESTER (0) 1 (Weller)
 7,908
 Blackburn: Butcher; Hird, Bailey, Metcalfe, Keeley, Fazackerley, Garner, Taylor, Radford, Waddington, Ashton.
 Leicester: Wallington; Whitworth, Rofe, Duffy (Welsh), Sims, May, Weller, Kember, Hughes, Kelly, Christie.

CAMBRIDGE (0) 1 (Biley)
CHARLTON (1) 1 (Flanagan)
 6,166
 Cambridge: Webster; Howard, Smith, Graham, Fallon, Streete (Leach), Cozens, Spriggs, Buckley, Finney, Biley.
 Charlton: Wood; Campbell, Madden, Tyde-man, Shipperley, Berry, Robinson, Hales, Flanagan, Peacock, Gritt.

LUTON (2) 7 (Moss 2, Hatton, Stein 2, Fuccillo pen., Dwyer o.g.)
CARDIFF (0) 1 (Bishop)
 7,752
 Luton: Aleksic; Jones, Turner, Price, Aizlewood, Hill, Donaghy (Fuccillo), West, Stein, Hatton, Moss.
 Cardiff: Barber; Thomas, Pontin (Bishop), Roberts, Pethard, Grapes, Burns, Campbell, Buchanan, Stevens, Dwyer.

MILLWALL (0) 0
C. PALACE (1) 3 (Murphy, Chatterton, Nicholas)
 11,693
 Millwall: Cuff; Donaldson, Moore, Mehmet (Pearson), Kitchener, Hazell, Hamilton (B), Seaman, Mitchell, Walker, Lee.
 Palace: Burridge; Hinshelwood, Sansom, Chatterton, Cannon, Gilbert, Nicholas, Murphy, Swindlehurst, Elwiss, Hilaire.

NOTTS CO (0) 1 (Masson)
ORIENT (0) 0
 8,090
 Notts Co: McManus; Richards, O'Brien, Benjamin, Blockley, Stubbs, McCulloch, Masson, Green, Hunt, Vinter.
 Orient: Jackson; Fisher, Roffey, Grealish, Gray, Went, Chiedoie, Hughton (Banjo), Mayo, Kitchen, Bennett.

OLDHAM (0) 2 (Young 2)
PRESTON (0) 0
 9,766
 Oldham: McDonnell; Wood, Blair, Bell, Hicks, Hurst, Young, Taylor, Halom, Chapman, Heaton.
 Preston: Tunks; McMahon, Wilson, Doyle, Baxter, Coleman, Burns, Haslegrave, Thomson, Robinson (Smith), Bruce.

SHEFF. UTD (3) 4 (Hamson 2, 1 pen., Franks, Guy)
BURNLEY (0) 0
 15,355
 Sheff. U: Conroy; Cutbush, Calvert, Kenworthy, Matthews (Stainrod), Speight, Sabella, Keeley, Franks, Hamson, Guy.
 Burnley: Stevenson; Scott, Brennan, Noble, Thomson, Rodaway, Cochrane, Hall, Fletcher, Kindon, James.

SUNDERLAND (0) 1 (Brown)
FULHAM (0) 1 (Margerrison pen.)
 17,976
 Sunderland: Siddall; Henderson, Bolton, Docherty, Clarke, Elliott, Buckley (Brown), Greenwood, Entwistle, Gilbert, Rowell.
 Fulham: Peyton; Evans, Strong, Lock, Money, Gale, Bullivant, Davies, Mahoney, Margerrison, Evanson.

WEST HAM (0) 2 (Robson, Brooking)
BRISTOL R (0) 0
 22,189
 West Ham: Ferguson; Lampard, Brush, Holland, Taylor (T), Bonds, Curbisley, Devonshire, Cross, Brooking, Robson.
 Bristol R: Thomas; Pulis, Bater, Day, Taylor, Price, Dennehy (Hendrie), Williams, Stanforth, Randall, Barry.

WREXHAM 0
NEWCASTLE 0
 14,091
 Wrexham: Davies; Hill, Whittle, Davis, Roberts, Thomas, Shinton, Sutton, McNeil, Cartwright, Lyons (Cegielski).
 Newcastle: Hardwick; Brownlie, Kelly, Cassidy, Blackley, Barton, Suggett, McGhee (Mitchell), Withe, Hibbitt, Connolly.
 Stoke v Brighton postponed.

THIRD DIVISION

BLACKPOOL (0) 2 (Spence, McEwan pen.)
WALSALL (0) 1 (Kelly)
 8,153
 Blackpool: Ward; Gardner, Pashley, Thompson, Suddaby, McEwan, Hockaday, Ronson (Chandler), Spence, Davidson, Wagstaffe.
 Walsall: Kearns; Macken, Caswell, Harrison, Serella, King, Birch, Waddington, Austin, Buckley, McDonough (Kelly).

TUESDAY, SEPT. 19

UNDER-21 CHAMPIONSHIP

DENMARK (1) 1 (Sorensen pen.)
ENGLAND (0) 2 (Hoddle, Hazell) at Hvidovre 4,000
 Denmark: Neilsen; Olzyck, Sorensen, Petersen, Madsen, Ziegler, Schafer, Ostergaard, Anderson (Birkedell), Eriksen (Garly), Berggren.
 England: Parkes (Q.P.R.); Wright (Everton), Sansom (Palace), Williams (Southampton), Hazell (Wolves), Fletcher P. (Man. City), Owen (Man. City), Reeves (Norwich), Regis (W.B.A.), Hoddle (Tottenham), Rix (Arsenal).

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 20

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

AUSTRIA (1) 3 (Pezzey, Schachner, Kreuz)
SCOTLAND (0) 2 (McQueen, Gray) in Vienna 72,000
 Austria: Fuchsbichler; Sara, Obermayer, Pezey, Strasser, Prohaska (Oberacher), Weber, Jara, Schachner, Kreuz, Krankl.
 Scotland: Rough (Partick); Kennedy (Aberdeen), McQueen (Man. Utd), Buchan (Man. Utd), Donachie (Man. City), Gemmill (Nottm. F), Hartford (Man. City), Souness (Liverpool), Jordan (Man. Utd), (sub: Graham (Leeds), Gray (Villa), Dalglish (Liverpool)).

EIRE 0
N. IRELAND 0 at Dublin 55,000
 Eire: Kearns (Walsall); Grealish (Orient), Holmes (Tottenham), Lawrenson (Brighton), Synott (Shamrock), Brady (Arsenal), Daly (Derby), Stapleton (Arsenal) (Sub: Walsh (Everton)), Heighway (Liverpool) (Sub: Givens (Birmingham)), Giles (Shamrock), McGee (Q.P.R.).

N. Ireland: Jennings (Arsenal); Rice (Arsenal), Nelson (Arsenal), Nicholl (Southampton), Hunter (Ipswich), (sub: Hamilton (Millwall)), Nicholl (Man. Utd), O'Neill (Nottm. F), McCreery (Man. Utd), Armstrong (Tottenham), McIlroy (Man. Utd), Spence (Blackpool), (sub: Cochrane (Burnley)).

DENMARK (2) 3 (Simonsen pen., Arnesen, Rontved)
ENGLAND (2) 4 (Keegan 2, Latchford, Neal) at Copenhagen 47,000
 Denmark: Jensen; Nielsen (F), Munk Jensen, Rontved, Lerby, Arnesen, Nielsen (C), Lund, Simonsen, Nielsen (B) (Hansen A.), Kristensen.

England: Clemence (Liverpool); Neal (Liverpool), Watson (Man. City), Mills (Ipswich), Hughes (Liverpool), Wilkins (Chelsea), Keegan (Hamburg), Coppell (Man. Utd), Brooking (West Ham), Latchford (Everton), Barnes (Man. City).

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TORQUAY (2) 2 (Lawrence, Raper)
ALDERSHOT (0) 1 (Shanahan) 2,998
 Torquay: Turner; Twitchin, Darke, Green, Dunne, Wilson, Raper, Davies, Coffill, Lawrence, Murphy (Cooper).
 Aldershot: Johnson; Edwards, Wooler, Dixon, Youlden, Howitt, Longhorn, Brodie, Shanahan, Dungworth (Tomlin), McGregor.

WIGAN (0) 1 (Purdie)
BRADFORD C (2) 3 (Cooke, McNiven, Martinez) 7,090
 Wigan: Brown; Smart, Hinnigan, Gore, Ward, Gillibrand, Corrigan, Wright, Moore, Crompton (Brownbill), Purdie.
 Bradford C: Smith; Reaney, Wood, Bates, Baines, Middleton, Johnson, Dolan, Cooke (Szabo), McNiven, Martinez.

SCOTTISH PREMIER

CELTIC (0) 0
HIBS (1) 1 (Temperley) 27,000
 Celtic: Latchford; Filippi, Lynch, Aitken, Edvaldsson, Glavin (Doyle), Conn, Conroy, McAdam, Burns, McCluskey.
 Hibs: McDonald; Duncan, Smith, Fleming, Stewart, McNamara, Temperley, McLeod, Rae, Callachan, Higgins.

HEARTS (0) 1 (McQuade)
MORTON (1) 1 (Thomson) 7,230
 Hearts: Dunlop; Kidd, Fraser, Jefferies, Liddell, Shaw (Tierney), Robertson, Bannion, Gibson, Busby, McQuade.
 Morton: Connaghan; Hayes, Holmes, McLaren, Orr, Rooney, Russell (McNeill), Miller, Thomson, Scott, Ritchie.

MOTHERWELL (0) 0
DUNDEE UTD (1) 1 (Dodds) 3,372
 Motherwell: Latchford; Shanks, Wark, Capaldi, McVie, Stevens, Marinello, Pettigrew, Larnach (Boyd), McLaren (Clinging), McLeod.
 Dundee U: McAlpine; Kirkwood, Kopel, Robinson, Hegarty, Narey, Smith, Fleming (Payne), Frye (Stark), Holt, Dodds.

RANGERS (1) 1 (Forsyth A. pen.)
ABERDEEN (0) 1 (Sullivan) 25,000
 Rangers: McCloy; Jardine, Forsyth (A), Forsyth (T), Jackson, MacDonald, McLean, Russell, Parlane, Johnstone, Smith.
 Aberdeen: Leighton; Kennedy, McLelland, McMaster, McLeish, Miller, Sullivan, Archibald (Strachan), Harper, Jarvie, Scanlon (Rougvie).

ST. MIRREN (0) 1 (Stark)
PARTICK (0) 0 8,000
 St Mirren: Thomson; Beckett, Munro, Fitzpatrick, Dunlop, Copland, Sharp, Stark, Bone, Abercrombie, McGarvey.
 Partick: Rough; McKinnon, Whittaker, Marr, Campbell, Gibson, Houston, Melrose (O'Hara), Somner, Park (McAdam), Love.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 17

SCOTTISH U-21 (1) 3 (Melrose, Orr, McLeod)
USA (0) 1 (Etherington) at Aberdeen 6,000
 Scotland: Thomson (St. Mirren); Sneddon (Celtic), Gillespie (Coventry), Orr (Morton), McLeish (Aberdeen), McLeod (Dumbarton), Melrose (Partick), Jardine (Kilmarnock), McCluskey (Celtic), Bannion (Hearts), Lindsay (Motherwell).

USA: Brdic; Pollihan, Myernick, Droege, Fowles, Davis, Russell, Bandov, Prost, Nanchoff (L), Etherington.

Halifax: Leonard; Bradley, Loska, Johnson, Burke, Dunleavy, Firth, Johnson, Bullock (Carroll), Mountford, Nixon.
 Darlington: Burleigh; Nattress, Cochrane, Hague, Craig, Stone, Maitland, Ferguson, Seal, Probert, Wann.

HEREFORD (1) 6 (Gould 2, Jones 2, Bowles o.g., Spiring)
CREWE (1) 1 (Purdie) 3,493
 Hereford: Hughes; Price, Burrows, Marshall, Layton (Spiring), Emery, Stephens, Holmes (K), Jones, Bailey, Gould.
 Crewe: Caswell; Hughes, Cheetham (Robertson), Bevan, Bowles, Rimmer, Davies, Roberts, Coyne, Wilshaw, Purdie.

NEWPORT (0) 1 (Clark)
WIMBLEDON (0) 3 (Leslie 2, Cork) 2,903
 Newport: Plumley; Walden, Relish (Clark), Thompson, Oakes, Jones, Bailey, Lowndes, Goddard, Woods, Armstrong.
 Wimbledon: Goddard; Bryant, Eames, Galliers, Galvin, Donaldson, Leslie, Denny, Cork, Knowles, Summerill.

PORTSMOUTH (1) 2 (Barnard, Garwood)
PORT VALE (0) 0 9,937
 Portsmouth: Mellor; Ellis, Viney, Denyer, Foster, Piper, Hemmerman, Lathan, Davey (Garwood), Barnard, Pullar.
 Port Vale: Dance; Wilkinson, Griffiths, Bloor, Sproson, Bentley, Bromage, Todd, Wright, Beamish, Stenson (Chamberlain).

READING (1) 3 (Bowman, Kearns 2, 1 pen.)
DONCASTER (0) 0 4,867
 Reading: Death; Peters, White, Bowman, Hicks, Bennett, Earles, Hetzke (Kearney), Kearns, Sanchez, Lewis.
 Doncaster: Peacock; Robinson, Bentley, Lally, Bradley, Taylor, Habbins, Cox, Owen, French (Lewis), Laidlaw.



Willie Temperley was the hero of Hibs when he netted the winner against Celtic.

England superstar Kevin Keegan (left) attempts to beat a Denmark defender during the European Championship tie in Copenhagen.



BURY (1) 1 (Tucker)
WATFORD (0) 2 (Bolton, Jenkins) 4,102
 Bury: Forrest; Lugg, Kennedy, Wilson, Tucker, Bailey, Robins, Farrell, Rowland, Hilton, Taylor.
 Watford: Rankin; Stirk, Pritchett (Ellis), Booth, Bolton, Garner, Pollard, Blissett, Jenkins, Joslyn, Downes.

GILLINGHAM (0) 1 (Richardson)
CHESTER (0) 0 4,743
 Gillingham: Hillyard; Sharpe, Hughes, Weatherley, White, Crabbe, Nicholl, Walker (Buttress), Price, Westwood, Richardson.
 Chester: Lloyd; Nickeas, Raynor, Storton, Jeffries, Oakes, Delgado, Livermore, Edwards, Mellor, Walker.

HULL (1) 1 (Bannister)
CHESTERFIELD (1) 1 (Tartt) 7,705
 Hull: Wealands; Nisbet, Devries, Horswill, Croft, Haigh, Hood, Hawker, Edwards, Bannister, Farley.
 Chesterfield: Tingay; Flavell, Hunter, Tartt, Cottam, Prophet, Burton, Fern, Walker, Kowalski, Salmons.

LINCOLN (0) 1 (Cockerill)
CARLISLE (0) 1 (McVitie) 2,577
 Lincoln: Grotier; Guest, Leigh, Hughes, Wigginton, Cooper, Cockerill, McCalliog, Harford, Sunley, Hobson.
 Carlisle: Swinburne; Hoolickin, McCartney, MacDonald, Tait, Parker, McVitie, Bonnyman, Kemp, Lumby, Hamilton.

MANSFIELD (1) 1 (Goodwin)
SHEFF. WED (0) 1 (Hornsby pen.) 11,366
 Mansfield: Arnold; Curtis, Foster (B), Goodwin, Saxby, McClelland, Miller (Moss), Martin, Syrett, Hodgson, Bird.
 Sheff. W: Bolder; Blackhall, Grant, Rushbury, Dowd, Mullen, Wyld, Johnson, Tynan (Smith), Porterfield, Hornsby.

OXFORD (0) 3 (Duncan, Foley 2)
EXETER (1) 2 (Bowker, Templeman) 5,441
 Oxford: Burton; Doyle, Fogg, Briggs, Stott, Jeffrey, McGrogan, Taylor, Foley, Seacole, Duncan.
 Exeter: O'Keefe; Templeman, Hore, Randell, Giles, Roberts, Williams (Holman), Kellow, Bowker, Delve, Hatch.

PETERBOROUGH (2) 3 (Butlin, McEwan, Doyle)
BRENTFORD (1) 1 (Kruse) 5,881
 Peterborough: Waugh; Carmichael, Styles, Doyle, Green, Ross, Robertson, McEwan, Butlin, Anderson, Robson.
 Brentford: Porter; Tucker, Allen, Smith, Kruse, Graham (W), Carlton, (Walker), Graham (J), Alder, Fraser, Phillips.

PLYMOUTH (1) 2 (Bason, Binney)
SWINDON (0) 0 6,099
 Plymouth: Hodge; Bason, Rogers, Brennan (Fear), Foster, Trusson, Megson, Taylor, Binney, Perrin, Johnson.
 Swindon: Ogden; McLaughlin, Ford, McHale, Aizlewood, Stroud, Miller (Gilchrist), Carter, Guthrie, Kamara, Bates.

SWANSEA (2) 4 (Charles, Waddle, Bartley, Curtis)
TRANMERE (3) 3 (Evans, Moore 2) 16,132
 Swansea: Crudgington; Evans, Bartley, Smith, Bruton, Toshack, Charles (Moore), Boersma, Curtis, Waddle, Callaghan.
 Tranmere: Johnson; Flood, Mathias, Parry, Bramhall, Evans, Palios, Cliff, Moore, Peplow, McAuley.

FOURTH DIVISION

BARNLEY (0) 1 (Clarke)
HUDDERSFIELD (0) 0 11,566
 Barnley: Springett; Collins, Chambers, Pugh, Saunders, McCarthy, Little (Peachey), Clarke, Riley, Joicey, Millar.
 Huddersfield: Starling; Brown, Sandercock, Holmes, Hanvey, Topping, Gray, Hart, Campbell, Cowling, Bielby.

BOURNEMOUTH (2) 3 (Barton, Impey, Butler)
ROCHDALE (1) 1 (Owen) 2,674
 Bournemouth: Allen; Cunningham, Miller, Impey, Brown (R), Borthwick, Barton, Showers, Butler (M), Massey, Brown (K).
 Rochdale: Shyne; Hallows, O'Loughlin, Hart, Bannon, Scaife, Price, Hoy, Hilditch, Owen, Mullington.

GRIMSBY (0) 0
HARTLEPOOL (0) 1 (Goldthorpe) 4,729
 Grimsby: Batch; Waters, Moore, Young, Barker, Crombie, Ford, Liddell, Lester (Drinkell), Mitchell, Broily.
 Hartlepool: Platt; Smith (G), Gorry, Hogan (Guy), Brooks, Ayre, Linacre, Lawrence, Houchen, Newton, Goldthorpe.

HALIFAX (0) 0
DARLINGTON (0) 2 (Stone, Seal) 1,203

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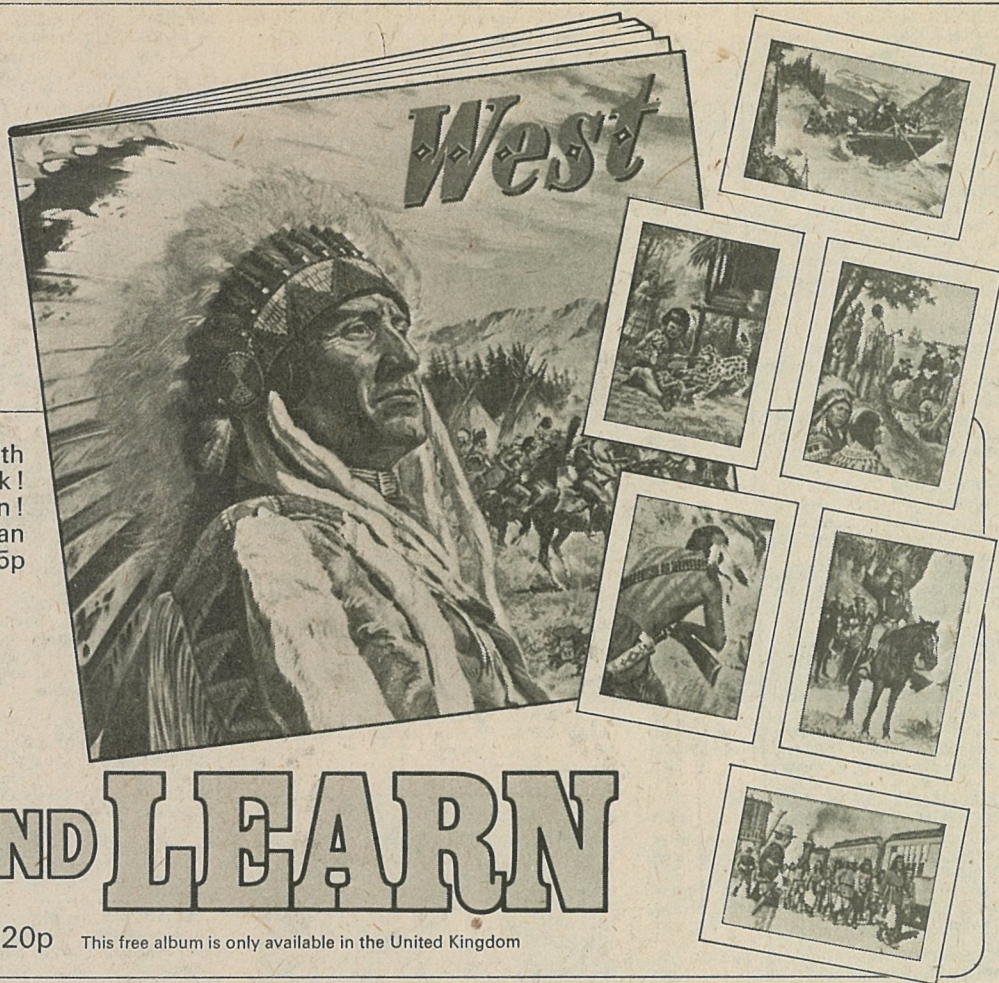
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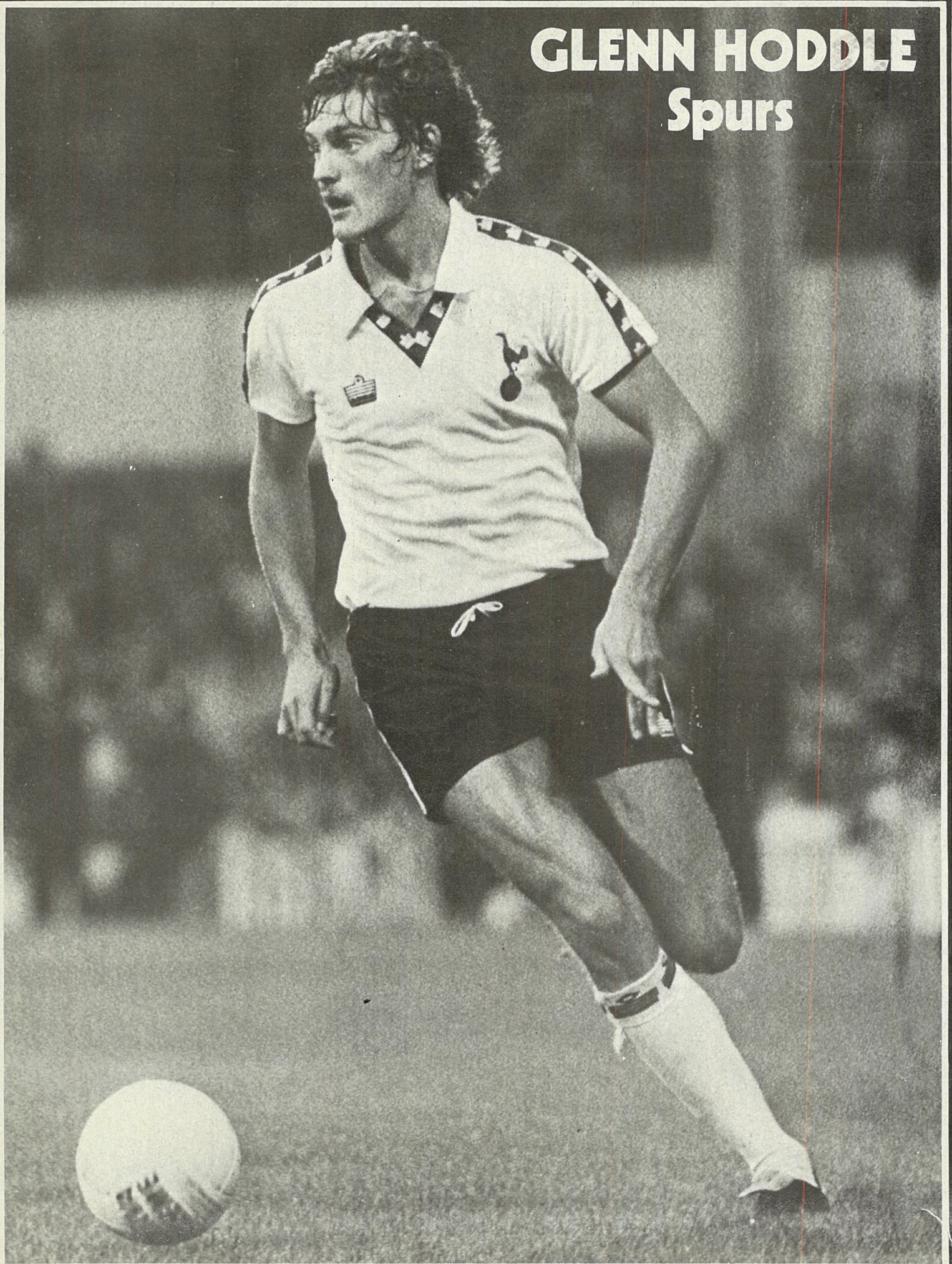
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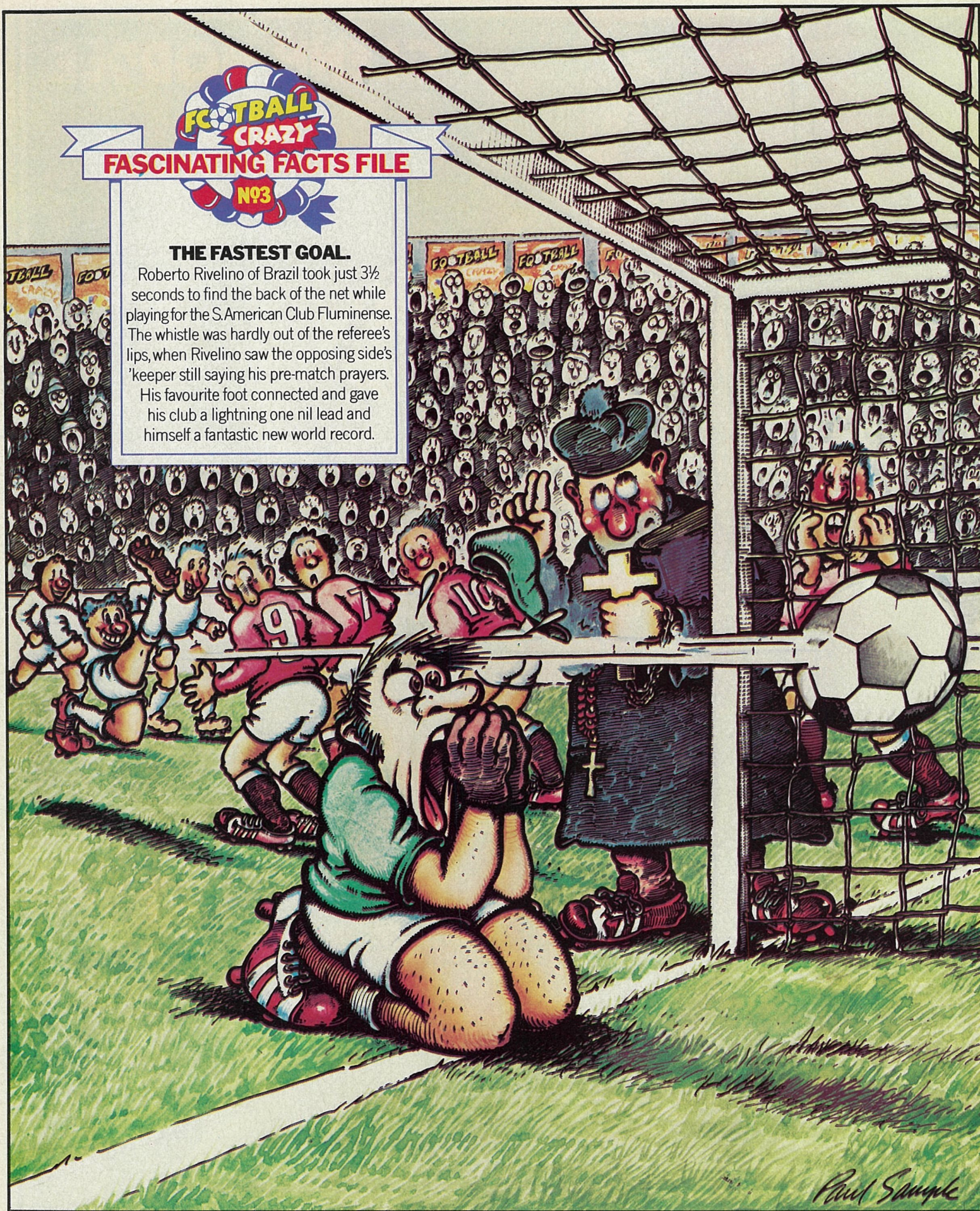


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IF YOU WEREN'T A FOOTBALLER, WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'D BE? Always wanted to be a footballer
WHICH PERSONS IN THE WORLD WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET? Pele and the Editor of SHOOT — he owes me a drink

Alan Kennedy



SHOOT!

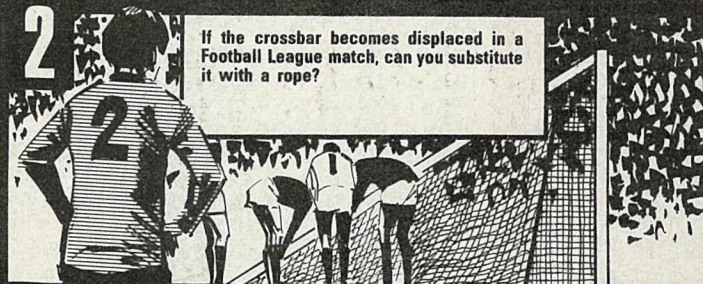


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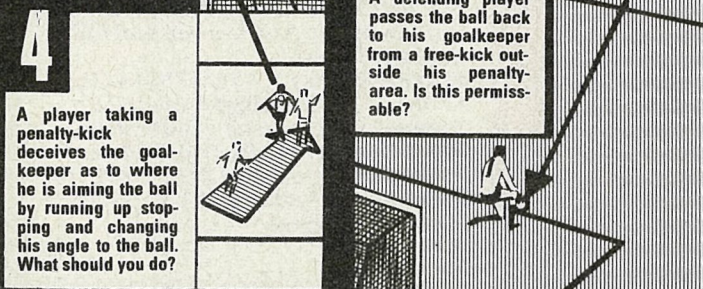
Under what headings may you show the yellow card to a player?



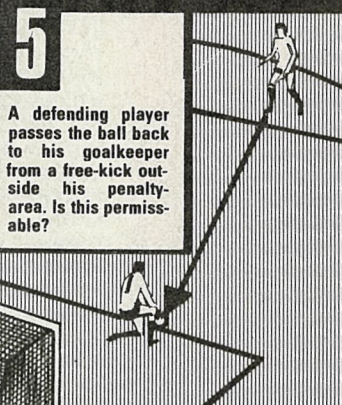
If the crossbar becomes displaced in a Football League match, can you substitute it with a rope?



A goalkeeper makes a save. Then, with the help of the wind, throws the ball direct into his opponents' goal. Is this a goal?



A player taking a penalty-kick deceives the goalkeeper as to where he is aiming the ball by running up stopping and changing his angle to the ball. What should you do?



A defending player passes the ball to his goalkeeper from a free-kick outside his penalty-area. Is this permissible?

ANSWERS

1. (a) If the player re-enters the field without permission, (b) he persistently infringes the laws of the game, (c) he shows, by word or action, dissent from your decision and (d) he is guilty of unsporting conduct. 2. No, the match must be abandoned. 3. Yes. 4. The referee should consider this as unsporting, caution the player and the kick to be re-taken. 5. Yes. It was noticeable in my European Cup match in Bulgaria that Kempes of Valencia, an outstanding player in Argentina, would take quick free-kicks, many of which were back to his colleagues.

EVER since my £500,000 transfer from Leeds to Manchester United I've taken stick from some Elland Road fans.

I've received abusive letters and been called a traitor to my face.

I can understand the feelings of Leeds supporters towards me. After all I had signed a new four-year contract for the club and promised in a SHOOT article to "stay at Leeds for life".

You wouldn't believe the number of letters both I and SHOOT have received reminding us of that statement.

Obviously, at the time of that interview I had no intention of leaving Leeds, although I wasn't too happy playing under the then manager Jimmy Armfield.

I honestly thought things would

with my wife Yvonne we have to choose the places to go — the "safe" areas.

The abuse doesn't bother me in the slightest. I'm big enough for it to bounce off my shoulders. But I don't like my family being involved.

When Manchester United played Leeds at Elland Road in August, I wouldn't allow my relatives to attend the game. I knew there was a bitter reception waiting for me.

Still, I managed to answer the "sick" element among the Elland Road supporters by scoring and helping United to a fine win.

Those two points gave me tremendous satisfaction I can tell you.

In contrast the fans at Old Trafford have been tremendous to me

"Leeds fans

change for the better because of one man . . . our coach Don Howe, whom I rate as one of the best in Britain.

Then Don left for Arsenal and it's no coincidence The Gunners have improved since his arrival at Highbury . . . and I don't mean any slight on manager Terry Neill.

Shortly afterwards Leeds sold Joe Jordan to Manchester United and life at Elland Road deteriorated rapidly for me.

Joe wouldn't have left if the club had offered him the financial security he was after.

Depression set in — I got browned off at the situation and made up my mind to leave. You know the rest.

But not all Leeds fans hate me, I'm glad to say. I made many friends at the club, and while they were sorry to see me go, understood my reasons.

The fact I still live on the outskirts of Leeds — I move into my new house in Cheshire next month — hasn't exactly encouraged the angry fans to forgive and forget.

When I go out for the evening

my soccer world

GORDON McQUEEN

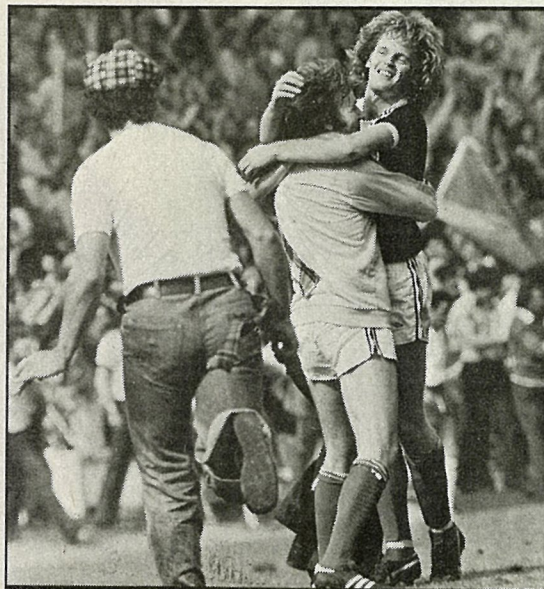
. . . even at the beginning when I wasn't match-fit and struggled to find my form.

Instead of moaning about the money United wasted on a centre-half from one of their "most hated clubs" those fans never stopped encouraging me.

Scottish fans have also been good to me — when the results have been going our way.

Mind you, they've frightened the life out of me twice . . . once when Scotland lost, and again when we WON!

At Wembley in May, 1975, England defeated Scotland 5-1, and our supporters were terrifying. They were so hostile I reckon they would have lynched us players if they could have got hold of us immedi-



Scotland's Alan Rough congratulates Gordon after their 2-1 victory against England at Wembley in 1977. A few seconds later over-enthusiastic fans joined in.

ately after the match.

They did the next best thing . . . pelted the team coach with everything they could lay their hands on and hurled verbal abuse as we drove away from the stadium.

It was even worse when Scotland BEAT England 2-1 at Wembley in June, 1977, when goals by me and Kenny Dalglish enabled us to win the British Championship for the second year in succession.

Scottish fans went berserk at the final whistle. In fact they could have killed me.

What seemed like the Charge of the Light Brigade trapped me and a couple of the lads before we could reach the safety of the tunnel.

Hundreds of pairs of hands were

trying to rip off my shirt for a souvenir. Instead of tearing off my back the shirt got caught around my neck and was choking me.

As I fought for breath I felt myself slipping beneath the horde. I knew if I went down I would be trampled underfoot. I must admit I panicked for a moment until Bruce Rioch and some of the lads came to my rescue.

When we finally reached the sanctuary of the dressing-room we learned the fans had practically demolished the Wembley pitch and goalposts.

There was no hiding from our supporters that night. London belonged to Scotland.

I tried to go out for a quiet meal

and drink with Yvonne later on.

We eventually discovered a small restaurant and were about to order when a couple of dozen kilted Scots burst in and surrounded us. Somehow the "heather telegraph" had tracked us down.

Yvonne and I had to abandon our meal and take a cab back to the hotel for a coffee and sandwich. That was our victory celebration thanks to Scotland's over-enthusiastic fans.

Words can't describe my feelings at missing out on the World Cup Finals in Argentina — which is more than can be said for the Scottish supporters out there.

Norway at Hampden on Wednesday week (October 25th).

Some people had said they are the weakest nation in our group. Okay so the Norwegians lost 2-0 to Austria at home in August, but they achieved a fine 1-1 draw in Belgium last month.

I believe they had a goal disallowed and Belgium's score came later in the game.

Norway are completely unknown to me apart from those two results so I'm afraid I can't comment on their side or the dangers to watch.

I know a little more about

still love to hate me'

As you now they were sick with the team and everybody connected with Scotland.

They gave us terrible stick after the results against Peru and Iran.

United's opponents this Saturday (October 14th), though. We play Aston Villa away.

Manager Ron Saunders has spent over a million pounds on new players without achieving success.

I can't put my finger on why Villa haven't got among the trophies. If I knew all the answers Ron Saunders would probably be prepared to pay me a fortune to reveal them.

Villa Park is a happy hunting ground for me. I generally seem to have a good game, despite the

Leeds upset Villa's (dark shirt) return to the First Division by winning 2-1.



Bearing in mind many of them had sold their businesses to make the trip you can't blame them for getting upset.

Some accused the players for lack of effort — that was rubbish.

One reason for Scotland's failure was we believed in our own publicity and propaganda.

We thought we could take on the world at their own game and as a result tried to play pretty, pretty football, abandoning our usual style.

Scotland was punished for it and didn't find anything resembling our form until the match against Holland — but by then it was too late.

I just hope Scottish fans haven't lost complete faith in us just yet.

Despite that 3-2 defeat in Austria in the European Championship recently don't write us off against

presence of my pal Andy Gray.

Leeds were the opposition for Villa's first home League match back in Division One at the start of the 1975-76 season — and we murdered them. The scoreline read 2-1 in our favour but we were far superior to them on the day.

I scored against Villa for Leeds last season, in our 1-1 draw at Elland Road in October.

This weekend I'll be looking for a similar result with Man. United, who were beaten 2-1 at Villa Park last term.

It should be a cracker of a game.

Gordon heads home for Man. United against his old club at Elland Road in August . . . the best way to hit back at the hostility.

THE peak of the managerial mountain in any country should, of course, be that as national team boss. That's what it **SHOULD** be, but it certainly doesn't appear to be in Scotland.

In the last two seasons the Scottish international post has fallen vacant twice... with the managers leaving for clubs not even in the Premier Division!

Willie Ormond unexpectedly quit after the 3-1 victory over Sweden at Hampden to take over the helm of Hearts, struggling to get out of the First Division, and now Ally MacLeod, of course, has said farewell in the same fashion to take over his former club Ayr United, who were in dire trouble at the foot of the First.

It's a shocking state of affairs as Scotland blunder from one year to another. A country blindfolded, but still trying to walk the soccer tightrope to success. And continually falling off just when the going looked good.

There have been some incredible happenings at international level North of the border. A manager walked out DURING the World Cup Finals! One was sacked because he had considered a move to Canada! One said he wouldn't take the job again for £1,000 a week! And another appeared to be the last to know he had been axed!

Let's start right at the beginning when the SFA decided to appoint a manager to look after the running of the team although it's not too sure whether or not the boss actually had much say in picking the line-up.

Andy Beattie became the boss and took his country to Switzerland in 1954 for the exciting adventure of the World Cup Finals. In fact, it turned out to be a journey into a nightmare. Wonderland turned to blunderland overnight.

The Scots were ill-equipped, had little tactical guidance, trained rarely and even one injury would have put strain on the squad. They were being led to the slaughter when they faced the then holders Uruguay.

Impossible

Startled is the only word to describe the fans' reaction as the two teams took the field. The Uruguayans were wearing lightweight gear because the match was being played in an atmosphere of around 100 degrees. Scotland, as usual, wore their heavy, woollen jerseys, thick baggy pants and old brown boots that made ball control virtually impossible.

Uruguay won 7-0 and it could have been even more. Their two wingers Abbadie and Borges scored five of the goals. Later Tommy Docherty, who played that day, commented both Scottish full-backs were the only people in Switzerland to have sunburnt tongues after chasing these two elusive wingers all day.

Beattie was under pressure from all angles and he decided he had had enough. He packed his bags and said goodbye in Switzerland and Scotland also said goodbye to the tournament when Austria beat them 1-0.

So, it was back to Glasgow and the SFA put on their thinking hats again. Their choice of successor was widely acclaimed... they



Andy Beattie took Scotland to the 1954 World Cup Finals... and then walked out.

when, six months' later, he was sensationally sacked.

Prentice had received an offer from a Canadian club and was contemplating the move. The SFA got to hear of the offer, were upset by Prentice's reaction to it... and another manager got the heave.

In February, 1967, another former Ibrox player took over. Bobby Brown, an ex-international goalkeeper, arrived from St Johnstone. Brown's main claim to fame was managing his country to their historic 3-2 victory over the then World Cup holders England at Wembley and inflicting upon them their first defeat since taking the premier prize in soccer.

Ironically, Brown was sacked after another game at Wembley

the no-nonsense Tommy Docherty to get the job. The fans wanted him to take over the running of the country's team. The fans demanded he get the job. The fans were adamant he was the right man to give their ailing nation the soccer kiss of life.

The SFA, apparently, did not agree. Instead, they went for an Irishman... Willie Cunningham, then bossing little Falkirk. In keeping with the unexpected turn of events Cunningham turned down the job and said he preferred to stay at Brockville!

Eventually, Tommy Docherty was offered the post and he grabbed it with both hands. He proved very popular and started to rebuild the team. He introduced Kenny Dalglish, Bob Wilson and Alex Cropley to the international arena.

In his first game — a European Championship match against Portugal at Hampden — the Scots

went for Sir Matt Busby on a part-time basis as there seemed no way he would leave Manchester United.

Scotland again reached the World Cup Finals four years later — as did all four Home countries — but again there was little success in Sweden. Busby left the post after the tragic Munich air disaster. When he regained his strength he committed himself entirely to the Old Trafford club.

Ian McColl, then a Rangers reserve player, was asked to take over! It was an amazing decision by the SFA, but McColl jumped at the opportunity. He lasted five disappointing years as Scotland trudged wearily through mistake after mistake.

The odd good result perked up the nation and there was talk of being world-beaters, but, true to form, there was a lapse in the very next game and it was back to the drawing board.

McColl was sacked and the SFA, being urged on by a disgruntled nation fed up with ridiculous results while the country had top class players such as Denis Law, Jim Baxter, Dave Mackay, Jimmy Johnstone, Willie Henderson and Pat Crerand at their disposal, went to Parkhead for Jock Stein.

Again their decision was warmly applauded. Here was the man to get Scotland on the glory road once and for all. Here was the man to get the lion roaring again.

Alas, things didn't work out like that and when Stein left the job after failing to guide Scotland through to the 1966 World Cup Finals in England he was reported as saying: "I wouldn't take that job again for even £1,000 a week!" Very interesting quote, that... in view of recent developments.

In March of the same year another ex-Ranger, John Prentice, took over the hottest seat in the country. He had hardly settled in

When it comes SCOTLAND are



Bobby Brown took over the international hot-seat in February, 1967.

won 2-1 with goals from John O'Hare and Archie Gemmill. A couple of months later a Jimmy Johnstone-inspired move led to O'Hare knocking in the only goal of the game to beat Belgium at Pittodrie.

It had been too late for Docherty to help Scotland through to the Finals of the European Championship — the damage being done earlier with disastrous results in Portugal and Belgium — but he was looking to the World Cup Finals in West Germany in 1974.

He took the team to Copenhagen for their opening World Cup qualifying match against Denmark and his side thrashed the Danes 4-1. Scotland were on the right track.

Just when everyone was talking about the possibility of Scotland actually getting things together on and off the field at long last Docherty left.

The lucrative post at Manchester United fell vacant when Frank O'Farrell was sacked. The Old Trafford club had been impressed by the way The Doc had handled things with the international side and they decided he was the man for them. They made him an offer he couldn't refuse... and off he went.

So, once more the SFA had to gather round the table and talk about a successor. A lot of names were bandied about before they finally agreed upon Willie Ormond, the man who had succeeded Bobby Brown as manager of St. Johnstone.

The jovial Ormond was delighted to accept the job, but he got off to the worst possible start when England came North for the Centenary match at Hampden and

two seasons' later. The Scots flopped to a 3-1 defeat and there was talk of a dressing room flare-up between Frank McLintock and Brown at half-time.

Things clearly were not progressing in the way the SFA had been hoping. It seemed everyone knew Brown was for the chop... except the likeable Brown himself.

On judgment day Brown met the waiting Press outside Park Gardens looking shocked. He mumbled: "They have sacked me... they have sacked me."

He appeared to be the only one genuinely surprised by the action. The managerial merry-go-round was spun again.

There was a public clamour for



Willie Ormond (third right) left to become boss of Hearts in the Scottish First Division.

walloped five goals past the unfortunate Bobby Clark.

Ormond had inherited Docherty's side and he had been willing to give it an opportunity to express itself under his management. It took him only 90 minutes to change his mind.

Clark and Eddie Colquhoun were the first to go and were swiftly

They were the only nation to be unbeaten, but they didn't qualify for the later stages because of goal difference. They beat Zaire 2-0 and drew 0-0 with Brazil and 1-1 with Yugoslavia.

Still, the Scots and Ormond got a hero's welcome when they returned. The fans appreciated their efforts.

Tynecastle.

And in bounced the bright and breezy Ally MacLeod. If there had been a World Cup for talking FIFA would have packaged the trophy and sent it to Scotland then and there!

"We gave the world this game," he said. "Now we want it back." He promised to do that in style in

been in charge of the team in 11 internationals. He guided the team to the crucial World Cup qualifying victories over Czechoslovakia (3-1) and Wales (2-0) as well as wins over Northern Ireland (3-0), England (2-1) and Chile (4-2). There had been two defeats from Brazil (2-0) and England (1-0) and draws with Wales (0-0 and 1-1), Argentina (1-1) and Northern Ireland (1-1).

The World Cup, though, produced the platform upon which MacLeod wanted to be judged. "I took the Scotland job because I think I can be the best manager in the world," he said. The World Cup Finals was his arena in which to show his talents.

It started with a shambling, shocking defeat from Peru (3-1) and continued with a farcical 1-1 draw with no-hopers Iran. The platform had collapsed under MacLeod. There was no coming back...

Certainly, a little pride was

to choosing managers often BLUNDERFUL

joined by others. Jim Holton came in and so, too, did Derek Parlane. George Graham was retained for a short while, but, in the end, he went.

Ormond took his side to Wales for the opening British Championship match and was delighted to return North of the border with a 2-0 victory, Graham scoring both goals. Scotland then beat Northern Ireland 3-0, but lost 1-0 to England.

All the time, though, World Cup qualification was uppermost in Ormond's mind and that dream had to be realised at the expense of Czechoslovakia, which was no easy task. The Czechs didn't help their case when they dropped a precious point to Denmark and Scotland knew they could make certain of a place in West Germany by defeating their rivals at Hampden.

Ormond's hopes must have taken an unexpected nose-dive when the dangerous Czechs broke away on the right flank and a dipping, swerving effort from Nehoda left Ally Hunter looking dreadfully slow and the ball swept into the net. The Czechs could hardly believe their luck!

Before half-time, however, the scores were level again when giant Jim Holton launched himself at a corner-kick from the left and his header sailed serenely into the net as Hampden rocked to its foundations.

Ormond introduced a youthful, energetic Joe Jordan in the second-half for the tiring Kenny Dalglish and, of course, it was the courageous Manchester United front-runner who booked Scotland's passage to the Finals with another header.

Scotland's stay in West Germany is one for the history books.

Ormond began to feel the pressure when Scotland failed to qualify for the '76 European Championships. They lost their opening match at Hampden 2-1 to Spain and they never recovered from that.

After Scotland had lost 2-0 to Czechoslovakia in Prague in their opening big for World Cup glory in Argentina the long knives were out for Ormond. There was a lot of talk about him getting the axe, but he didn't give anyone the opportunity to take aim.

He helped his country to a 1-0 World Cup win over Wales and after beating Sweden in a friendly match news leaked out he had been approached by Hearts. Ormond admitted the approach and shortly afterwards went to

Argentina. The fans loved him. They became "Ally's Army". Later they were to become "The Angry Brigade".

Songs were written about MacLeod. Soccer fever really took over. The promised land was just a short corner-kick away. A lot of countries would be wasting their time turning up in Argentina. The Cup was as good as Scotland's. The dreams were soon to become reality... harsh, uncompromising reality.

Before embarking on the great South American trip MacLeod had

Ally MacLeod returns home after Scotland's disastrous World Cup performances in Argentina.



restored when the Scots beat Holland 3-2, but, by then, it was far, far too late. You cannot blow up a balloon that has several punctures.

The wonderful promises and the outrageous claims from MacLeod provided the bullets for the snipers when he returned. He had gone out to Argentina a happy, carefree and breezy individual. He came back a sullen, shrunken hermit.

His last game in charge of the team was against Austria in the European Championship in Vienna. The Scots lost 3-2, but MacLeod said it had been one of the most impressive Scottish performances in years. Not a lot of people agreed after seeing Scotland totally outplayed for about an hour by the Austrians.

MacLeod, the self-appointed king who abdicated to take over a part-time side, left the post after exactly one year, four months and eight days.

The last word goes to MacLeod, of course. He says: "There's no question of me leaving Scotland in the lurch. I was still there for the Austrian game and that was the hard one."

"My salary at Ayr will be on a par with the SFA job and I would like to think I achieved something by helping to take Scotland to the World Cup. I STILL THINK I AM THE BEST. AND I WILL PROVE THAT AT AYR..."

And after MacLeod... inevitably the first name on the list was Jock Stein, the man who has done more for Scottish football than anyone else.

But what a pity the SFA didn't pick their new manager at the right time — immediately after the World Cup disaster.

Another example, perhaps, of the Blunderland of choosing the Scotland boss?

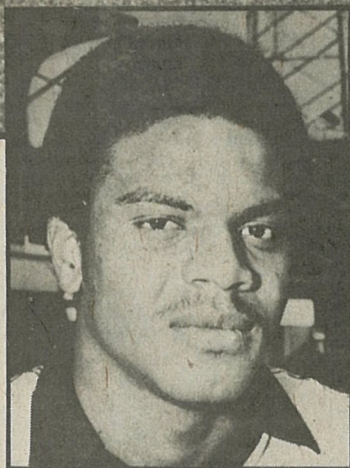
Action from the Wolves v. Arsenal
1-1 draw at Molineux last season.

First Division Big Match

CROSSTALK



Wolves v. Arsenal Saturday, October 14th.



*'This season
we've found it
tough scoring
goals'*

BOB HAZELL (Wolves)

YOUNG: Hello, Bob, we're looking forward to meeting you again, after three good results against you last season. We beat you twice at Highbury and drew in the League at Molineux, which can't be bad against any side.

HAZELL: Don't remind me. The F.A. Cup defeat at your place was doubly sickening for me when I got sent-off in the last minute.

YOUNG: Yes, you took a swing at Graham Rix. As I remember it, you were hanging on to the ball before a corner and he asked you to hand it over. But I understand the pair of you made it up in the England

Under-21 squad the other week.

HAZELL: Yes, we got on very well. I don't hold any grudges and I'm sure Arsenal won't either. It was just one of those things that happens in the heat of an important match. The annoying thing was you scored the winning goal from that corner.

YOUNG: Yes, I thought we were lucky, really. You played well after getting the equaliser but Malcolm Macdonald got his chance from the corner, and stuck in the decider.

HAZELL: Mac getting it was even more annoying. I always mark him when we play you and I usually do pretty well against him. Mind you, he didn't get one in the League game a few weeks before that Cup clash.

YOUNG: I doubt if you'll be marking Mac this time because he's been struggling with injury this season and will probably be on the sidelines again. Perhaps you'll find yourself up against Alan Sunderland or Frank Stapleton.

HAZELL: They're both good players. Of course the one we all look out for in your side is Liam Brady. By all accounts, he's playing as well as ever this season.

YOUNG: He is, people are giving Liam a lot more attention this season but star players have to expect that. But even when they put two or three men on him, he's got the ability to get out of it. And as you know, Graham's got the individual skill to go through defenders as well.

HAZELL: Steve Daley has been playing well week after week for us and it's lucky he's on song.

Because very few of the team have hit top form so far.

YOUNG: He's always impressed me. In fact, I think you've got a strong midfield all round. What with Kenny Hibbitt and Willie Carr. So what's the problem?

HAZELL: The biggest one is we can't score goals. And when you're not sticking them in, the pressures start to build up. The confidence and spirit in the side aren't all they could be, either. To be honest we think we could be in for a long, hard slog this winter to avoid relegation.

YOUNG: The First Division is so even. With such a narrow margin between the top and the bottom, any side can find themselves struggling after a couple of narrow defeats. We've been playing a lot of nice football but we're not quite what we were last season, yet, we've got the right sort of players, so we should be able to get it together.

HAZELL: The best form we've found so far this season was against Ipswich, when we scored a goal and hit the post three times in the first-half. But in the last few minutes, we completely fell away. That's where our lack of confidence showed. Who do you think you'll be marking this time?

YOUNG: I don't know. It's usually either John Richards or Norman Bell. One's quick and skilful the other's big and strong. I think I'll be happier with the big lad, Bell.

HAZELL: We've also got another striker who's come in to the side this term, Wayne Clarke. No doubt you've heard of him — Allan's younger brother. So he'll be a new



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WILLIE YOUNG (Arsenal)

face for you if he plays.

YOUNG: As I've said, there's not a lot of difference between the top and the bottom of Division One, even though you've been struggling. After we'd beaten you in the League last season at Highbury everyone said it would be a walk-over when we drew you at home in the Cup. But we knew it would be tough. Still, you haven't beaten us since you came back in to the First Division.

HAZELL: We're aware of that and we would like to put it right. And I aim to play for the full 90 minutes this time.

SECOND DIVISION BIG MATCH

CROSSTALK



Newcastle defenders (light shirts) combine to break up a Sunderland attack during the last confrontation in April, 1977.

Sunderland v Newcastle United Saturday, October 14th



GARY ROWELL
(Sunderland)
'But not a defensive struggle'

CASSIDY: These Sunderland-Newcastle "derbies" are extra special affairs in the North-East, and because of the importance of the occasion, the match itself often suffers. Players are tense, Gary, and on the pitch don't express themselves as well as they might.

ROWELL: I've played in two of these "derbies" Tommy, and before both games the tension was terrific — they just aren't like the ordinary League match. Though there are four local players in our squad, Joe Bolton, Mickey Henderson, Tim Gilbert and myself, and I think the fact we are

from the area will help to ensure we play harder than ever and overcome any nervousness.

CASSIDY: Like yourself, I've appeared in two Tyne-&-Wear confrontations, one which was a 2-2 draw at Roker, and the other which Newcastle won by 2-0 at home. And in our forthcoming meeting at Roker Park, I believe the experience we have in our side will be useful in winning the "war of nerves".

ROWELL: There may be more than two goals scored by both teams, this time, if it develops into the attacking game I anticipate. Sunderland are a team that likes to go forward, and I can't see the match simply becoming a defensive struggle.

CASSIDY: Agreed. Newcastle are geared to attacking football — with the type of men we have, it is what we do best. Defenders such as Irving Natrass, John Brownlie and Peter Kelly like to support their front runners, and the form of Peter has been a revelation in recent matches.

ROWELL: The form of Barry Siddall in goal has given us a lot of confidence this season, and in midfield Mick Buckley made a good debut for us against Preston. Alongside him, Mike Docherty, who was made skipper early in September, will be driving us and forcing the

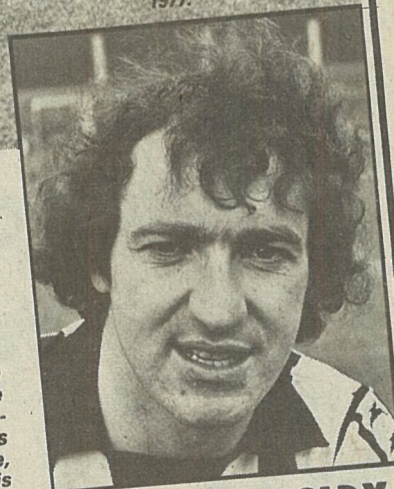
play, and I know Terry Hibbitt and yourself will be attempting the same for Newcastle — so there should be quite a battle in midfield.

CASSIDY: Yes, that's to be anticipated, and I think the team which is most relaxed at three o'clock on the day of the match will be the one that will acquit itself best. Up-front, we have Peter Withe, who is used to big-match atmosphere, and with John Connolly doing his stuff on the wing, we are hoping for a good link-up between these two.

ROWELL: I think a good understanding between the players is something both teams have been aiming at since August, and there are signs we are achieving this at Roker after a shaky start to the season.

CASSIDY: With the several new players that Newcastle have signed this term, it has been necessary for them to blend as quickly as possible and it seems our efforts to do so are starting to pay off. We have been getting every encouragement from our fans, and they'll be there in force at Roker to give us extra incentive.

ROWELL: Well, the feeling is, in the dressing-room, the Sunderland supporters are worth a winning side, and nothing would please the players more than to see their fans



TOMMY CASSIDY
(Newcastle)
'A war of nerves'

get their wish by their team beating Newcastle.

CASSIDY: To me, it seems certain the result will be a decisive one, because neither side will be playing for a draw. I know nothing less than a win will satisfy Newcastle, and we'll be going for goals from the start. And at the end, I think Newcastle will come out just ahead, Gary.

ROWELL: Well Tommy, I have the idea this is going to be a hard match to play in, and also a difficult one to forecast. I hope it proves to be an exciting game to watch, with some goals to please the fans — and naturally, I'm hoping Sunderland supply most of them.

TAKE A BREAK—IT'S

Quiz Time

1. The two players (below) were once team-mates... can you identify them? name them?

2. On Saturday, September 23rd, Sunderland had two players sent-off during their 2-1 win against Burnley at Turf Moor. Can you name them?



3. Ally MacLeod recently resigned as manager of Scotland. (a) Of which Scottish First Division club is he now boss, and (b) did he take over the international post in April, May or June, 1977?

4. A Scotland Under-21 side entertained a team from the United States in September. (a) Where was the game played and (b) what was the final result?

5. Colin Todd (right) was transferred recently from Derby County to Everton. Was his fee around £100,000, £200,000 or £300,000?



EUROPEAN CUPS

The First Round second-legs of the three European Cup competitions were played last month. Answer the following questions about the tournaments.

6. Nottingham Forest travelled to Liverpool and dumped the holders out of the European Cup. How did the game finish at Anfield?

7. Everton progressed to the U.E.F.A. Cup Second Round when they beat Finn Harps 5-0 at Goodison Park. Did the Liverpool side win 8-0, 9-0 or 10-0 on aggregate.

8. Ipswich Town gained a fine 2-0 aggregate victory against which Dutch side in the Cup-Winners' Cup?

9. Arsenal drafted into their squad a young unknown apprentice for the away game v. Lokomotiv Leipzig. Was it John Kosmina, John Devine or Paul Vaessen?

10. Hibernian knocked Norrköping out of the U.E.F.A. Cup on a 3-2 aggregate score... how did the two games finish?

ANSWERS

1. Fulham's Ray Evans (right) and John Mitchell of Millwall. They played together at Craven Cottage. 2. Joe Bilton and Mick Henderson. 3. (a) Apr. (b) May. 4. (a) Aberdeen. (b) 3-1 to Scotland. 5. £300,000. 6. 0-0. 7. 10-0. 8. 2-1. 9. Paul Vaessen. 10. 3-2 at home and 0-0 away.

GO FOR THE DOUBLE ANSWERS

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The high-scoring KIDD from Collyhurst



Law in the forward line. Best was top scorer that season with 28 League goals.

Another star at Old Trafford was Nobby Stiles, the little midfield dynamo of England's 1966 World Cup victory, and Kidd and Stiles were old friends.

Both of them had attended the same school — St. Patrick's in Collyhurst — Kidd had won England schoolboy and Youth caps before he made his League debut in the 1967-68 season.

Even his first appearance in

English football was a memorable one for Kidd as he played in the Charity Shield against Tottenham Hotspur.

It was instant success for the young United striker in his first season. He won the first three of what was to be ten England Under-23 caps.

The first of them being against Wales Under-23's in a 2-1 England victory at Swansea on November 1st, 1967. It is interesting to look at England's Under-23 side of 11 years ago. Clemence (Liverpool), Badger (Sheffield United), Hughes (Liverpool), Kendall (Everton), Sadler (Man. Utd.), Hollins (Chelsea), Rogers (Swindon), Knowles (Wolves), Osgood (Chelsea), Birchenall (Sheffield United) and Kidd (Man. Utd.). Peter Osgood and Don Rogers scored the England goals.

The following season was an anti-climax for Kidd. He still played twice more for England Under-

23's, but in 28 League appearances, plus one as substitute, he netted only two League goals.

The next term of 1969-70 saw him back on the goal standard with 12 League goals in 34 appearances.

The end of that season saw Kidd win a place in the full England side against Northern Ireland at Wembley, on April 21st, 1970, in a 3-1 England victory.

That summer of 1970 England were off to Mexico to defend the World Cup. Twenty-eight players went on a tour that was to include two warm-up matches. Kidd won his second England cap when he came on as substitute and scored England's second goal in a 2-0 victory over Ecuador.

When manager Alf Ramsey announced his final 22 names for the Finals, Kidd was left out.

Back in England, League totals of seven and ten goals were to follow for Kidd in the following two seasons.

But the great United side were in decline. In the 1972-73 season they were 18th in the First Division when the season finished and Kidd scored four League goals. Although the top scorers for United were Bobby Charlton and Lou Macari with only six League goals each!

The thought of Manchester United in the Second Division would have been unthinkable a few years earlier.

Now as the dust, and in United's case, the debris had settled they finished 21st in the 1973-74 term and were bound for the Second Division.

In that sad season for Old Trafford, Kidd scored twice in 21 League appearances with Sammy McIlroy top scorer with six goals.

Accepted offer

In the summer of 1974, Arsenal stepped in and offered United £100,000 for Kidd. United accepted the offer in July.

In his first season (1974-75) at Arsenal he was top scorer with 19 League goals in 40 appearances, and the following term he was again top marksman with 11 goals in 37 League appearances.

Kidd and Arsenal got on well with each other, but as neither he nor his wife could settle in the South he moved back to Manchester in June, 1976.

This time it was to City, not United, who paid £100,000 for him.

In his first season back in the North (1976-77) he was top scorer with 21 League goals in 39 appearances and last season was the fourth season running he finished top marksman for the club he was playing for.

Kidd finishing with 14 League goals in 39 matches.

A goal in each of the first three League matches this term saw Kidd off to a great start again. But then came a six match lay-off through injury.

You can't keep a great marksman down, however, as Dutch club Twente found out on Kidd's return to the first team on September 27th.

In the First Round second-leg of City's U.E.F.A. Cup match, Kidd beat two defenders before beating the goalkeeper with a fine drive.

Season	Team	Appearances	Goals				Total
			League	F.A. Cup	League Cup	Europe	
1967-68	Man. Utd.	38	15	—	—	3 (EC)	18
1968-69	Man. Utd.	28 + 1 sub	2	2	—	1 (EC)	5
1969-70	Man. Utd.	33 + 1 sub	12	4	2	—	18
1970-71	Man. Utd.	25 + 1 sub	7	—	5	—	12
1971-72	Man. Utd.	34	10	—	—	—	10
1972-73	Man. Utd.	17 + 5 sub	4	—	—	—	4
1973-74	Man. Utd.	21	2	—	—	—	2
1974-75	Arsenal	40	19	3	1	—	23
1975-76	Arsenal	37	11	—	—	—	11
1976-77	Man. City	39	21	1	—	1 (U)	23
1977-78	Man. City	39	16	1	3	—	20
351 + 8 sub			119	11	11	5	145

EC — European Cup; U — U.E.F.A. Cup.

Kidd (left) scores on his 19th birthday for United against Benfica in the 1968 European Cup Final at Wembley.



BRIAN Kidd is one of the few English footballers who does not mind you knowing his age.

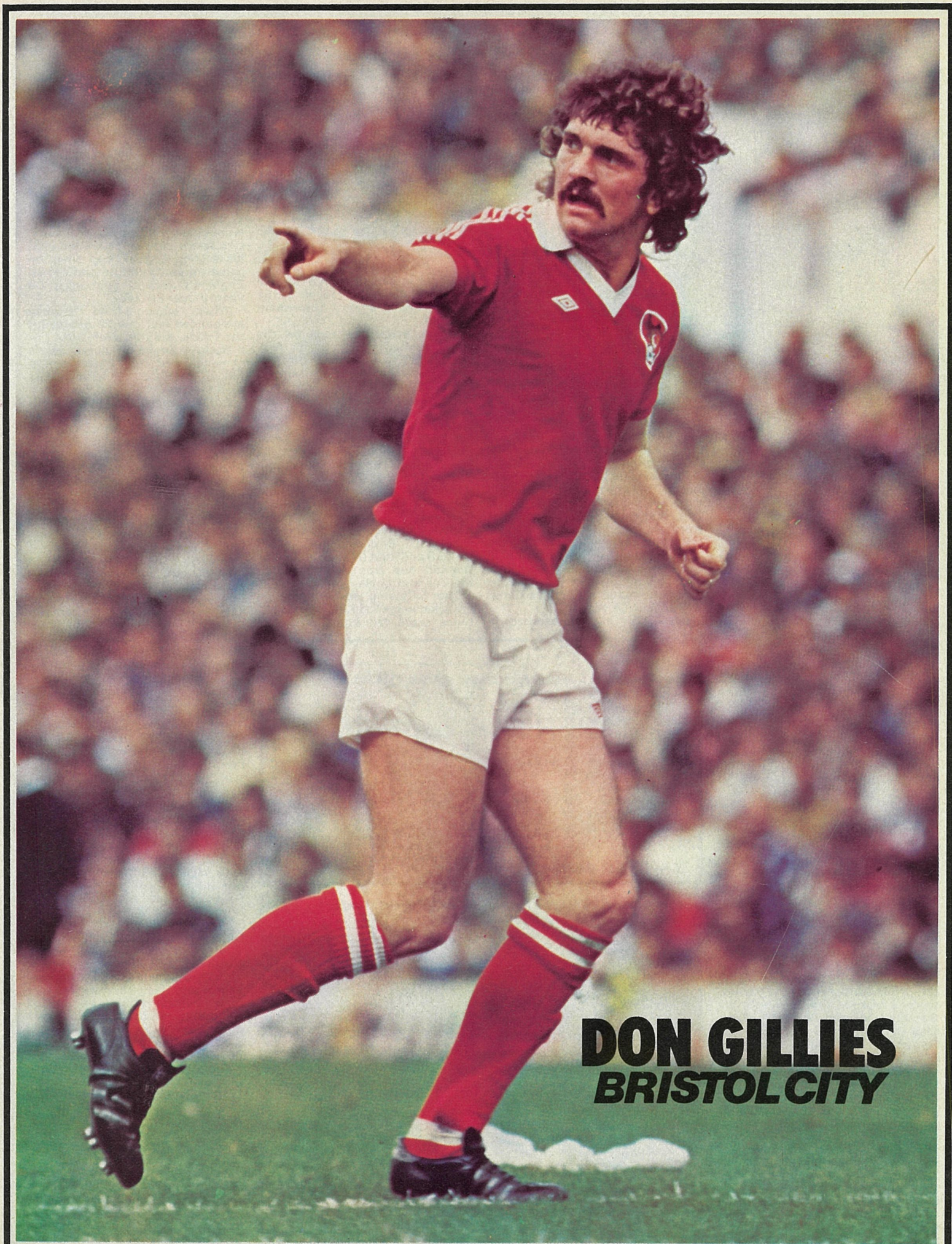
English players are the only footballers in Europe reluctant to give their birth-date. So the fed-up young reporter who rang up an ageing star and asked: "How old are you these days?" had a valid point.

Kidd's 19th birthday on May 29th, 1968, however, is now part of soccer's history. On that night at Wembley, he scored a goal in Manchester United's 4-1 victory in the European Cup Final against Benfica.

It climaxed a season that had started in the summer of 1967 when he went to Australia on tour with the Old Trafford club and played his first-ever game with the senior side.

He must have made quite an impression as he played in 38 of United's 42 League games in the 1967-68 season and scored 15 League goals.

Even then Kidd was only part of a supporting cast that had George Best, Bobby Charlton and Denis



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